Out of the BLUE

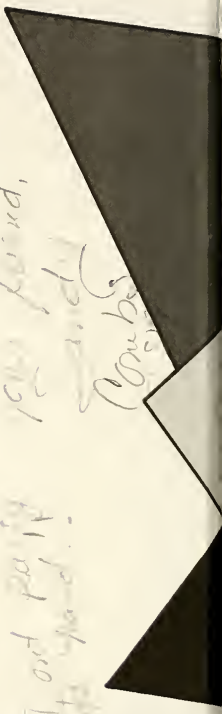
Little brother,

Behave yourself or I'll "kick your ass." Remember only good times, never think of the bad.

Love Always,
Kymmi

Jason
to a crazy guy that we know for [illegible] remember me always because I can't forget you. Try to stay out trouble I know that is very difficult for you. Be good and be careful.

I out party you friend,
[illegible]
Combs



To a really wild & crazy guy. Good luck in the future & with everything you do. Your a really good buddy of mine, take care of yourself. Try to be good & behave yourself, I know that is hard for you. Be careful if you party & drive.

Party till ya pule!

Your friend,
Terri "89" Rules.

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Jason, You little weed you.
Jeff Derenberger

Jason,

I want you take care of yourself and remember I will always be here if you need to talk. We have a great relationship. Thanks for being there to hold me while I cried and to laugh when I laughed. Try and forget all of the bad times and never forget the good ones. I wish you the best in everything that you do in life. I know whoever you spend the rest of your life with will be lucky.

Good Luck!

Love,
Cindy Quillen

Class
Of
"87"

My
page!

Beer is legal,
Sex is heaven,
Were the class
Of '87"

Looper
was
here!

Catching the spirit of the state semifinal football playoffs in Morgantown, Senior Trudi Wright portrays the Viking school mascot. For this special occasion, the Athletic Boosters rented the outfit to promote school spirit and crowd enthusiasm.

VIKING 1987

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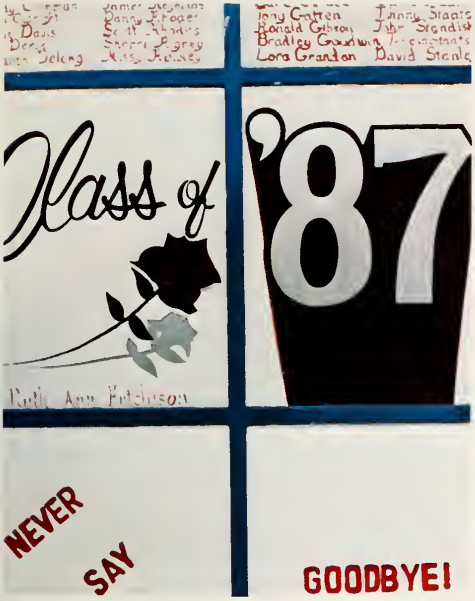
A redecorated Senior Wall greets students every morning in the main hall across from the principal's office. Painted in the class colors of maroon and silver and class flower, the rose, the wall is the talk of the school.

Obviously enjoying the privilege of private Senior tables, Kellie Shamblin and Greta Skeen sit and chat after the lunchroom clears out. One of the new purchases of the school, the round tables add a new look to the lunch room.

Practice on the track is possible in the summer as well as winter for runners like Eddie Comer. The valuable track, used by the school as well as the community, ranks in the top ten of the state.



OUT of the BLUE

and Like Brand New

A new twist, redecoration, extra additions, and fresh designs were all apparent changes last year which may have been unnoticed. A new twist was added to the lunchroom with the installment of ten Senior lunch tables. The distinctive characteristic was that the round shape of the tables set the upperclassmen apart from the rest of the students. The redecorated Senior Wall added decoration to the main hall with its sophisticated colors of maroon and silver. Done each year by the Sr. class, the wall quickly became a tradition. Another new, but not talked about item, was the newborn track and field. Being one of the top ten tracks could be called an extra addition, or better, an impressive addition. A fresh design of the faithful Viking also made its way to the school. With the new emblem of "Vikes" printed on everything from stickers to hand towels, no one was unaware of the mascot transition. All of these not real old or not talked about items were brought . . .

OUT OF THE BLUE.

With time to spare during lunch break, Joyce Balser, Carol Williams, Mona Reed and Angie Painter sit on the newly constructed benches outside the main building.

Checking the computer screen as he specifies his lunch number to Kelly Legg, Jim McIntyre follows through this new and improved lunch room procedure. The computer is used to make billing more convenient each month in homeroom.

Fresh from Glenville College, Mr. Robinson teaches science classes such as Biology I and Science 9. He is seen here with fifth period students Rick Parsons, Jaqui Crum and Sandy Combs.

OUT of the BLUE

. . . and Brand New

Nine teachers new to the school, a technically advanced computer lunch system and improved landscaping were not the only unexpected additions last year. Having a new sprinkler system kept the school fire safe, while a computerized heating unit was installed in the annex building to keep all the classrooms the same cool temperature. These were all improvements which came . . . OUT OF THE BLUE.

With balloons in hand, Penni King helps with childrens' birthday parties as part of her job at McDonalds. Shown here at a weekend party, her friend Nicole giggles at the Grimace that is one of the party decorations.

Tiger eyes are not the only designs created by the Seniors in their money-making venture of face painting for Spirit Week. Mike Duke is one of the many students who bravely exhibited the shades of blue and white.

Student Life

The school week seemed long, and the weekends too short, but RHS students handled it the best way. During the week some students were very busy studying, some seniors in order to graduate and some freshmen in order to make up the unexpected high school work. Other students gave much of their time to school activities while others who were eager for adventure could be found running around in town.

The majority of students came back together at the school for sport events, performances by the musical department and for dances. However, the weekends were the highlights of the year. Students could be found at the skating rink, at the bowling alley, at the movies or at Hecks parking lot. Anyway, whenever it was on weekends, summer break, or during the week, RHS students always reached out for excitement, and tried to connect work or duty with a little bit of fun! Their spirit just came . . .

OUT OF THE BLUE.

Cheering the team on at Mountaineer Stadium, this group of students shout and wave the shakers donated by the Athletic Boosters. Even with the crowd behind them, the Vikes lost to Brooke.

Because of the rush for time, sidewalks leading from the main building to the annex are cram packed during the five minutes alloted for class change. With some nine hundred students racing to the opposite building, the road is often rough and dangerous.

Vikings on Parade

Returning to its usual route, the annual Homecoming Parade started off with a busy morning. Several clubs waited until parade morning to construct their floats while others merely had to pull theirs out of garages. With the parade scheduled to begin at 2.00, the judges made their way to the driving range where the line-up was taking place. After the votes were tallied, the winners were as follows: 1st — Girls Basketball, 2nd — Art Club, 3rd — FHA, 4th — FFA. New additions to the parade were the class cars which were judged for class competition, a group of horses and a few new clubs tried their hands at designing floats. The students were dismissed, as a result of past good behavior, to make their way downtown to watch the parade with the parade with the rest of Ripley.

Also contributing to the parade were the local stores and garages. The stores donated items such as glitter, tissues, and glue while the garages allowed students to work on the floats under cover. These supportive businesses allow such things as Homecoming Parades to come about. Thanks Ripley!

Patiently waiting for the parade to begin, Mandy Osborne and Kathy Martin sit among the field of domino football players. With a theme of "Dominate the Patriots" this Art Club float captured a second place prize.

Not used to extra time to spare after the hours of hard work on their float, the Girls Basketball team are not amused with the delayed parade time. Their theme was "Press Your Luck" which contributed to their first place ribbon.

Displaying their version of "Wheel of Fortune," SAE members Penni King, Robin Igo, and Tina Southall help complete their Field of Fortune float.

Talking things out to calm the nerves, Mr. Viking candidates Jason Jones, John Moore, and Bryan Wilson lounge beside the Senior float with Donnetta Parsons and Carrie Goodwin.

To avoid a crooked sideline, Kristina Flinn is careful to measure and pin the letters up straight. Having a large turnout homecoming eve to help with the float, the FBLA members have one of the best organized floats of the parade.

Working up to parade time, SADD members Cathy Carter, Rita Flowers, and Julie Buffington prepare the signs which are the final touches to their entry. With Mrs. Harper's room as home base, they worked constructively the long parade morning.

Deidre Casto and Jason Jones

Kim Miller and Brian Wilson

Polla Parson and John Moore

After halftime activities of crowning homecoming king and queen, the lady royalty stand on the sidelines for pictures by area newspapers and parents.

Receiving her sash from Yvette Clark, the 1986 Queen, Deidre Casto is careful to see what is going on.

Royalty Smiles

An unforgettable 3-0 victory in the annual Homecoming Game made the event even more special. Recapping the events, several traditions were kept, while some began.

A first time tailgate party kicked off the night of the festivities. Sponsored by the Sophomore class, the tailgate party consisted of games and concession stands containing anything from brownies to facepainting. The successful party concluded with the kickoff of the ballgame. Not having won a homecoming game in four years, the crowd was enthusiastic but skeptical. Towering over the field, the scoreboard at halftime read 0-0. This led to the announcement of the 1986 Homecoming King and Queen. With the band as a back-drop alongside the Junior, Sophomore, and Freshman representatives, the three pairs of candidates waited for announcement of the winner. Deidre Casto and John Moore were crowned by 1985 Royalty Yvette Clark and David Fisher with attendants Kayla Poole and Brian Horn. The remainder of the night was filled with a clash of Ripley's defense and the South Parkersburg Patriots offense. The winning points were made by team kicker Mark Johnson.

With the win over the Patriots, the Vikes record moved to 4-2. The annual Homecoming game played an important role, not only in fulfilling tradition, but in paving the road to the state football semi-finals.

Renee Casto and Daniel Fox

Amy Casto and Texal Ramsey

Kim Hall and James Kay

Hugging the ball tight, Packy Carte steers away from his Parkersburg South opponent in the 3-0 Homecoming victory.

A hug alongside the plaque, crowns, and roses was in store for the freshly crowned 1986 King and Queen John Moore and Deidre Casto.

Being carried away by the Parkersburg South Patriots, quarterback Rod Lanham does not give up the fight and keeps possession of the ball.

Kayla Poole and Brian Horne

True Blue Spirit

There was one week out of the year when students got to show their true blue spirit. The week being that of Spirit Week which preceded the rival game between Ripley and Ravenswood. Selected days for spirited dress-up were Blue and White Day followed by Skip Day, Sports Day, Nerd Day and closing out with the traditional Dress to Kill Day. With the participation of students being monitored for class competition points, most students took part in the fun-filled week.

On Thursday, students from every grade stayed after school to decorate the halls. With themes developed around the "Big Game," the halls were filled with burnt devils, big Vikes and class mottos. After an early morning examination of the hallways by the teachers on Friday, the winners were announced: taking first place with the best use of theme were the Seniors, second Juniors, third Freshman, and fourth Sophomores. With the arrival of Friday also came the announcement of the most spirited boy and girl. Those being selected were Alex Bain and Katy Coames.

One week out of the year, work and seriousness were traded for fun and laughter. Students enjoyed the special week of spirit at RHS.

A couple of nerds hanging out in the hall, Alex Bain and Laura Brewer are the King and Queen of polyester and plaid. One of the most popular days, Nerd Day drew the most participants.

Tennis anyone? Showing their new-found high school spirit, these freshmen girls, Marlene Sauls, Kim Hall and Katheryn Seymour are getting the hang of Sports Day.

Baseball, football and track all join together for Sports Day, a newcomer to the spirit week scene. Tonya Starcher, Becky Rhodes, and [redacted] watch the halls for other sport players.

Having fun in their nerdy costumes, Tauni Strigle and Myra Cutright like the thoughts of having a keepsake picture.

Seniors dressed to kill in their best outfits. Here, Brian Wilson, Bill Deese, Harold Dorton, J.D. Koontz, Chuck Landis and Lora Grandon show the underclassmen how its done.

If you've seen one you've seen them all . . . this in not the case in this group of geeks. Showing their taped glasses, oily hair and high water pants, this gang is sure to fit in a nerd colony.

Feeling blue . . . or white? Adding to his mohawk, Dickie Shouldis is painted up with abstract face painting.

SUMMER

. . . the great escape.

School was over. A three month summer break lay ahead. When students heard the word summer, the weeks right before the big break, they imagined things like blue skies, sandy beaches and high waves of wild seas. When the school year was finally behind them and school notebooks were slung in the corner, not to be seen again until the next year began, the great things talked about in school began to happen. Some lucky kids were off to the beach where they met many people during their long hours of baking in the sun. Others had to stay in Ripley and substitute the beach with the local swimming pool. Still yet, while some were lounging at the swimming pool, others were making up failed classes at summer schools.

While more yet were away at camps for scholarships, band, church, yearbook, Girls/Boys State and other school related camps.

Another activity included in the summer was the much talked about Charleston Sternwheel Regatta. It had concerts with such big name groups as the Commodores and the main attraction, The Beach Boys. Boating and water skiing were not limited to the Regatta. They moved their way north to the Ohio River Festival which was a local festivity. Another local event was the annual Junior Fair with the participants from area 4-H and FFA groups.

Summer also brought jobs for students with less than minimum wages. The long work days ruled out fun late nights and lazy late mornings. The lack of rain brought the advantages and disadvantages of hours of not canning garden vegetables and the smell of fresh cut grass.

With the summer also came the largest Fourth of July celebration in West Virginia. In the celebration were singing on the court house lawn, a carnival, the Cedar Lakes Arts and Crafts Fair and a salute to Lady Liberty parade in honor of her 200th anniversary.

It can be fun, it can be boring, it can be work. It is summer!

Struttin' their stuff at the Charleston Regatta, Amy Casto, Kristin Skeen and Carrie Gunther spend the evening waiting for the Beach Boys concert to begin. The concert was the main attraction of the ten day summer river festival.

As a member of the Clear Creek Backcountry Staff at Philmont Scout Ranch, Cimmaron, New Mexico, Kevin Boyce (red shirt) experienced many new things. One of these were living like the people did in the early 1800's.

Enjoying their summer vacation on a Carnival Cruise Ship, Rebecca Hunter and Beth Mills lounge around on the sunny top deck of the boat.

Summer fun consisted of spur of the moment parties and late-night weekends. Shown here at Myrtle Beach are Cheryl Cecil, Teresa Rhodes, Tammy Barickman, and Deidre Casto.

The sizzling hot beach is one of the views that many students see at summer. With no beaches close-by, seven hour trips to Virginia Beach (shown above) or Myrtle Beach are in store.

Clash Day at band camp is a main event knowing that a long week of hard work is over. A group of clash victims, Donnell Henthorne, Patrick Black, Harold Dorton, Mitsy Ferguson, Aly Goodwin, Carrie Gunther, Doug Meeks and Connie Mitchell rest in the shade on a hot afternoon.

All decked out in their cowboy boots, flannel shirts and straw hats, Craig Burchett, Joe Holley, and Brad Woods sing the peppy songs of Oklahoma!

Long hard evenings of practice, including dress rehearsals like this one, made Oklahoma! a success. Shown here are Vania Ball, Laura Brewer, Tim Parsons and Rhonda Randolph who portray four of the leading parts in the production.

BRAVO

for a job well done

The members of the cast and crew and the directors, Mrs. Goodwin and Mr. Ryder, worked for three months on this project. Hard work on the part of about 85 students produced the first musical presented solely by students. On November 18, 20, 22, and 23, Oklahoma was presented to the North Central Accreditation team, the student body, and the public.

West Virginia Commissioner of Culture and History, Norman Fagan, attended one performance and was so impressed by the production that he asked the cast to perform at the Cultural Center in Charleston. On December 10 and 11, the cast performed there for the students of John Adams and Roosevelt Junior High Schools and the public. The cast and crew were exposed to professional lights and a sophisticated sound system during these performances. Two TV stations in Charleston featured segments from the production and interviews with cast members on the evening news programs. This was the first high school production to be presented at the Cultural Center. Oklahoma! was just one of activities that was a part of the school year. It was history in the making.

THE BALLOT BOX

Have you ever asked a guy out?

Yes 49%

No 51%

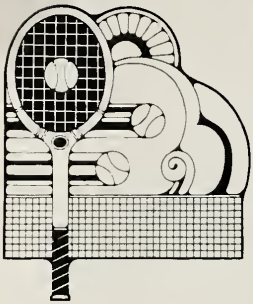
Would you let a girl pay for a date?

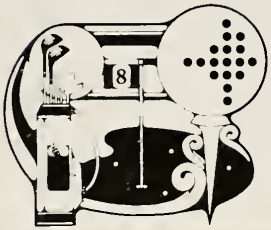
Yes 30%

No 52%

Sometimes 18%

The Ballot Box





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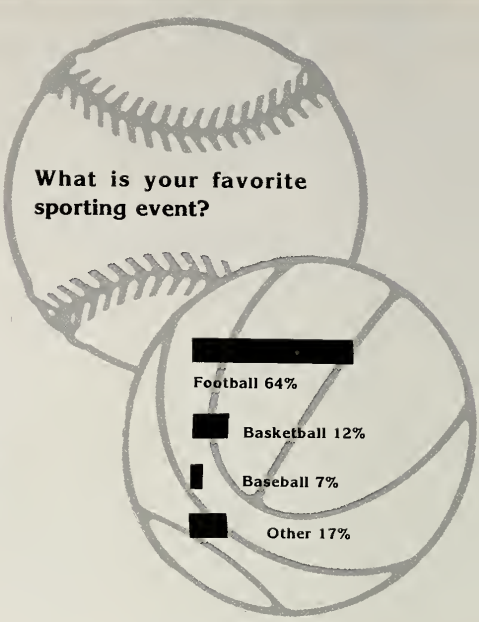

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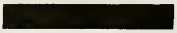


87%

Christmas

5%

Thanksgiving

2%

Easter

4%

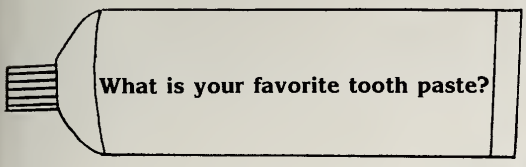
Birthday

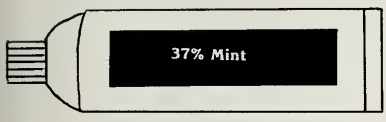
2%

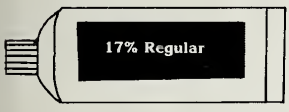
Other

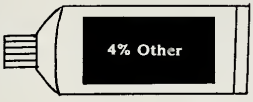
Members of Paradox pause for a brief picture after a hard-days work. Paradox is a student rock group.

What is your favorite tooth paste?









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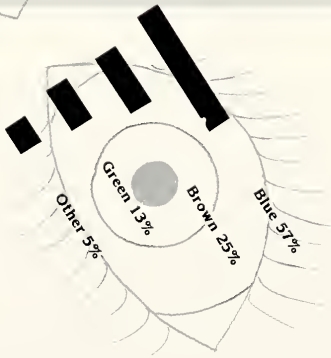

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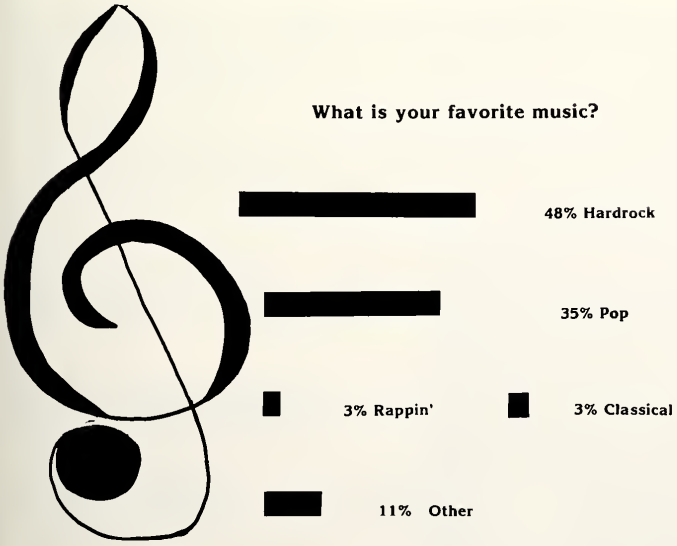

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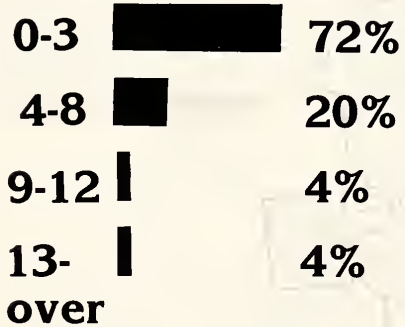
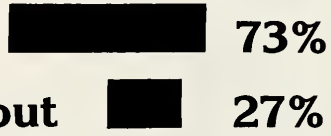


Do you like girls with or without make-up?



Dates

Do you think it is all right for a girl to ask a guy out?

Yes 64%

No 7%

Sometimes 28%

Who do you spend your week ends with?

Friends 50%

Family 19%

Date 27%

Work 4%

Joe Milhoan and Steve Buffington pose for a memorable picture while on a college visitation trip sponsored by the school.

The Ballot Box

How do you get to school

64% Bus

21% Drive

10% Parents

What do you plan to do after graduation?

57% College

18% Job

17% Undecided

8% Marriage

14% Other

29% Fifth Quarter

18% Pizza Hut

17% Shoney's

22% Marriott

99.99% PARTY

5% Walk

Clifton Crow dressed up as Papa Smurf to entertain the children at the annual Christmas Party sponsored by the Easter Seal Society.

Do you Take a Shower or Bath in the morning

60% Morning

40% Night

25% Bath

75% Shower

Jon Fowler, as Judd, a farm hand, thinks of ways to win the love of Laurie.

Tim Parsons, as Will, displays his future wife's wedding nightgown.

Alex Bain and Laura Brewer, as Curly and Laurie, celebrate after their wedding.

What an Event!

Standing with a background of pink and red heart shaped balloons, Bill Perrine and Lora Rhodes were posed by the photographer for their Sweetheart Ball pictures.

Many students looked forward to the Sweetheart Ball and the Homecoming Dance. These annual dances were open to all students. The Homecoming Dance was held in early fall to honor our newly elected Mr. and Miss Viking John Moore and Deidre Casto. The decorations were based on the theme of the board game Monopoly. There was a lighted dance floor which added a different affect.

The Sweetheart Ball was held on February 14. This was a formal dance to celebrate Valentines Day. The decorations were red, pink and white with a white gazebo as the center court attraction. These dances improved student relations and added recreation to the otherwise limited resources of Ripley.

Having fun at the Sweetheart Ball, Jody Smith and Brenda Paugh dance to the beat provided by D.J. Ben Roush.

Tina Hoffman decides to take a break during the Homecoming Dance while Mrs. Taylor waits for more students to arrive.

The Junior class voted Mark Johnson, Renee Casto, Danny Fox, Kit Kerns, Crystal Hanlon and Dickie Shouldis to compete for Sweetheart Ball King and Queen.

Many couples had the privilage of dancing on a lighted dance floor provided by Omega Sounds at the Homecoming Dance.

Roger Sparks and Michele Skeens are a picture perfect couple on prom night.

Christy Webb flashes her pearly whites for the camera while her date dipps into his wallet for the photo memories of prom night.

"Look into my eyes." Kelly Legg and Robbie Welling were taking a break in the gazebo.

Monday-Funday

To have fun on a Monday sounds awkward to a lot of people at RHS. But there was one Monday during the year that juniors and seniors looked forward to — PROM NIGHT!

Everybody will admit that it is very unusual to have the Prom on a Monday night. But on Saturday, April 4, 1987, (the scheduled Prom night) there was a snowstorm and the roads were hazardous so the Prom was postponed and rescheduled for Monday night. This was announced on the local radio stations, but for those students who did not hear the announcement, and came on Saturday night, there was a big sign on the lobby door that said "Prom Delayed until Monday Night."

Some students were concerned about the decorations, others were worried about having to be up early Tuesday morning for school. However, everything was solved as well as possible. The decorations were still very pretty and Mr. Wiseman kindly agreed to let those students who left the Prom after 11 p.m. come in late the next morning (at the beginning of third period).

The band, Roadwork, was very good, and the night was fun for everyone. A lot of students did other things after the Prom — they went to the midnight movies, went out to eat, or in a few instances, students rented motel rooms for private parties.

And all this fun and excitement was on a Monday night!

"In the Air Tonight" seems to be a special song for Todd Kerns and his date, Melissa Hardesty.

While awaiting their next chance to dance, Micheal VanLeeuween and Missie Tackett engage in a light conversation.

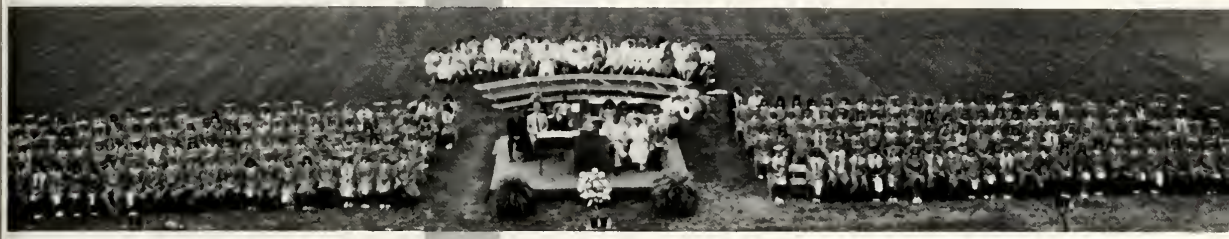
A thoughtful moment is reflected in Steve Beha's eyes. As President of the Senior class he has many good as well as bad memories of the year.

"Friends always" seems to be the motto for this group of Seniors. Michelle Pursley, Trudi Wright, Missy Smith, Donnetta Parsons and Beth Winter smile because they are "on time" for graduation.

Keeping their legs flat on the ground, these Seniors perfect the seating arrangement for outside graduation. The hot afternoon left graduates with burnt noses that evening.

Monica Smith is in the line-up to enter the stadium. She is shown here scanning the hundreds of visitors in the stands.

An aerial view of the class of 1987 shows the perfect order of arrangement directed by Mrs. Looney. Hours of practice on the part of the students and faculty produced a great graduation.



NEVER

Say Good-bye

The moment finally arrived. The moment which seniors were looking forward to — the end of the schoolyear, graduation.

During the school year, Seniors could not wait until they graduated, but there was sadness mixed with the happiness. The seniors went their different directions. Some stayed in West Virginia to go to college while others went out of state. Some went to get jobs while still others the first item on the agenda was to get married.

With the end of school, the seniors had to leave friends and teachers they had grown close to. Even though many pretended not to like school, they could be found chatting to teachers or just "hangin' around" after graduation. To be in school brought a safe environment, people that were familiar, counselors who could help and an easy life with the graduation came the real world. Away from the things they were used to and the people they cared about. It would not be easy but most RHS graduates stood as responsible, mature individuals, ready to make their mark in the world.

Receiving his diploma from Board Member, Dr. Kathryn Goodwin, Todd Jones exhibits the much-practiced graduation handshake.

New Superintendent of Schools, Carroll Staats, speaks during the commencement ceremonies. This is his first Ripley High School graduation as superintendent.

We're Almost
Millionaires

The awards ceremony proved to be another to remember. The members of the class of 1987 lacked $1,500 to receive one-half million dollars in award monies. The awards given were as follows:
Kaiser Aluminum — Cindy Bonham, John P. McCoy — Katy Coomes, Raymona L. Cunningham Memorial — Mary Ann Wells, Delbert Carney Staats Memorial — Beth Winter, Gazette Carrier — Chris Hull, Alpha Delta Kappa — Polla Parsons, Delta Kappa Gamma — Kelli Ferguson, Jackson General Auxiliary — Lisa Snyder, GFWC Women's Club — Katy Coomes, GFWC Women's Club Art — Rhonda Randolph, Ripley High School Alumni — Tom Armstead, Robert K. Park Memorial — Katy Coomes, Mu Alpha Theta — Todd Jones, Ripley Area Chamber of Commerce — David Hentharne, Teacher of the Year — Lora Sturm, PCC — James McCune, Berea College — Glenna West, Marietta College — Tammy Barickman, University of Charleston — Debbie Jewell, Cathy Welling, Sherri Rigney, Concord College — Rod Lanham, Queens College — Lisa Snyder, St. Andrews Presbyterian College — Cindy Cushman, Potomac State — George Ford, Alderson Broaddus — Alex Bain, WVU — Jason Jones, Pam Cummings, Alan Harris, Chris Hull, Trudi Wright, Brad Woods, Salem College — Laura Brewer, University of N.C. Cindy Bonham, Marshall University — Trudi Wright, Am. Deisel Institute of America — Dean Fields, WV Wesleyan — Todd Kerns, Mike Duke, WV Tech — Todd Jones, Liberty Baptist — Rhonda Randolph, Rhodes College — Jon Fowler, Army College Scholarship — Kevin Boyce, Westpoint — Jason Jones, Century III — Beth Winter, School Spirit Award — Alex Bain, Student of the Year — Jason Jones, Perfect Attendance — Larry Fields, Tina Southall, Mark Kaiser, Jason Jones, Athlete of the Year — Mike Duke.

Valedictorian Jason Jones

Salutatorian Cindy Cushman

Compliments of
NAPA — Automotive Supply Company

Organizational scholarship winners numbered many because of the great interest in financial aid, Area memorial funds and organizations gave around 16 money awards.

Accepting his appointment to Westpoint, Jason Jones stands before the student body with Lieutenant Colonel Gary Pasierb.

One of two National Merit Finalists from Ripley High School, Jon Fowler is congratulated by principal Jack Wiseman.

Winners of the RHS Alumni Scholarship and the Delbert Carney Staats Memorial Scholarship are Tom Armstead and Beth Winter. Both are outstanding honor students of the school.

Compliments of
State Farm — Mike McGrew

Its not a bird and its not a plane — its the Keef. Giving a demonstration of his Superman Underoos, Denita Angus makes sure Mr. Keefer stays put.

Friendship was true with these seniors: Robby Taylor, Annette Lovejoy, and James McCune. They will remember these fun high school times after graduation.

People

The reason why this school year was so great, the reason why the school received as many awards as it did was because of the Ripley High School people. The students who went to the High School brought life into the year.

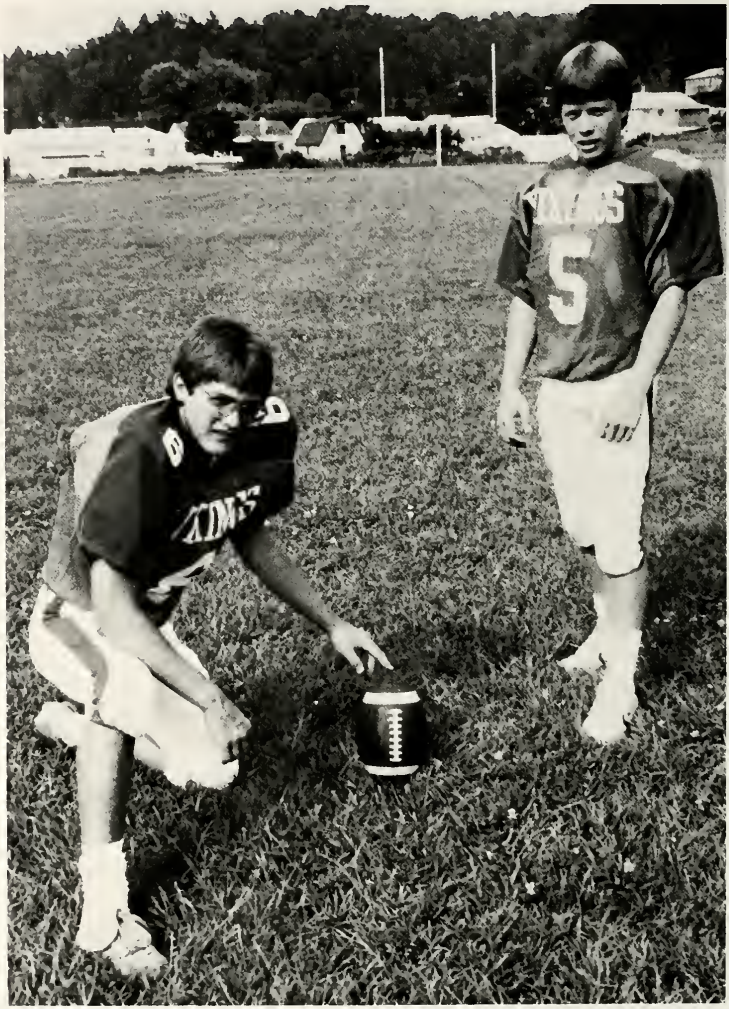
To go to school and sit in class was not the only thing that students were notorious for during school time. The Chorus students went on tours, the athletic teams went to competitions, and other classes went on field trips. While still others stayed in school doing crazy things that made RHS unique. The people of the school spread a feeling of fun, enthusiasm and caring. New friendships were made, old ones deepened or broke off. Yes, a lot went on at our school, some good and some bad. Yet still our people were our pride, and it all came

OUT OF THE BLUE.

Sharing the fun of friendship, Missy Pettit and Stacey McDaniel sample the foods during Mrs. Sias' International Food Day.

Changing classes means talking to your friends in the hall, juggling books and squeezing down the stairs. This crew of students were leaving Mrs. McGuire's, Mr. Bush's and Mrs. Taylor's rooms.

Mark Johnson and Eric Hersman pose for a picture for the Jackson Herald before a summer afternoon practice. Mark is the record-setting Viking kicker.



Best

Foot Forward

For the first time in the history of RHS, our football team went to the state playoffs. If it weren't for our kicker, Mark Johnson, we would not have gone.

Mark has set many goals, during football season his junior year. For a single season he kicked 12 extra points. In the playoff games Mark kicked 3 extra points — the most in the history of the playoffs. And for career history record he has kicked 17 extra points.

When asked how long he practices when weather is permitting, he said "at least 2 hours." And when the weather is bad Mark said that he lifts weights and runs. After high school Mark hopes to get a scholarship to play for WVU. And in the future, we hope to see Mark playing in the pros.

David DeWaine Abbott — FFA 1,2,3,4.

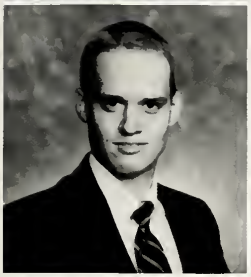
Carla Jo Adams — Science Club 1; FFA 2; Safety Club 2,3, Sec.2,3, Treas.2,3, Hist.3; Photography Club 4, Hist.4.

Thomas Edward Armstead — NHS 3,4; Band 1,2,3,4, Rank Leader 4; Jazz 3,4; Volleyball Club 3,4; Rod and Gun 1; Archery Club 2; Teenager of the Month 4; Who's Who Among American High School Students 4.

William Tom Ashby — Rod and Gun 1; Bow and Arrow Club 2; Political Club 4.

Michelle Dawn Backus — Band 1,2,3,4, Field Comm. 3,4; Concert Choir 4; Show Choir 4; SAE 1,2,3,4, Vice Pres. 3, State Secr. 4; Student Council 2; Class Secr. 1; OKLAHOMA! 4; Mu Alpha Theta 2,3,4; NHS 3,4.

Carla Jo Adams
Kandell Halstead Anderson
Thomas Edward Armstead



William Tom Ashby
Michelle Dawn Backus
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Alex Stanley Bain
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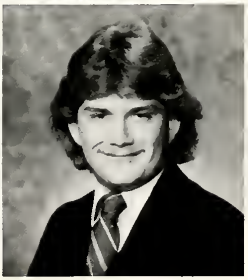
John Thornton Baldwin



Peggy Jane Balis
Tamatha Lee Barickman
Paul Edward Barnette

Antje Dorthee Baier — OKLAHOMA! 4; Concert Choir 4; Yearbook 4; Volleyball Club 4; Exchange Student 4; Athletics; Marshall Academic Festivial 4.

Alex Stanley Bain — Blue Persuasion 1,2,3,4, Pres. 4; Concert Choir 1,2,3,4; All-State Choir 3,4; Band 3,4, Pep Band 3,4; Jazz Ensamble 3; Young Christians Club 1,2,3,4, Pres. 4; Football 2; Thespians 4; Marshall Acad. Festv. 4.

Betty Jean Baker — SAE 1,2,3; YES 4.

Tamatha Lee Barickman — Athletics 1,2,3,4; Mu Alpha Theta 2,3,4, Treas 4; NHS 4; Intramurals 3,4; SAE 1,2; Volleyball Club 3,4.

Paul Edward Barnette — Athletics 1,2,3,4; Rod and Gun Club 1,2,3,4, Vice Pres. 4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4.

Summer Marketplace

Students exhibit projects at local Fair

Each summer many students take an active part in the Jackson County Junior Fair held at the fairgrounds near Cottageville. Students from the FFA Chapter exhibited their projects in hopes of winning ribbons and prize money.

Even more important to those students who raised animals to exhibit was the sale at the conclusion of the fair. Many students reaped large profits from the sale of their livestock. Local businesses were very supportive of the fair and paid excellent prices for the animals.

The students' hard work and time were not the only areas recognized. An annual pageant is held for FFA and FHA young ladies. The winner then represents the Fair through the year at other state activities. Stock car races, horse shows, and all sorts of competitions made the Fair one of the major highlights of the summer.

Jim Sayre's steer brought a good price since it was the Grand Champion of the 1986 Junior Fair.

Glenna West is smiling because her lamb won First Place in the Market Lamb Class.

Alan Harris shows his market lamb during judging. Following the judging, the animals are sold.

Timothy Lee Barnette-FFA 1; Rod & Gun Club 2; Baseball Club 3,4.

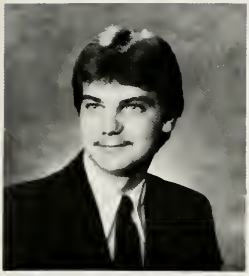
Gayle Marie Beckett-HERO 2,3,4; SAE 3,4.

Steven Russell Beha-Class Pres. 4; Who's Who Amoung American High School Students 4; Thespians 4; Baseball Club 1,2,3; Athleltics 1,2,3,4; Intramurals 2,3; FFA 1,2,3; Band 1; Show Choir 4.

Patricia Lyn Bodkin-SAE 1,2,3, Secr. 2, Pres. 3, State Treas. 3; FBLA 3,4, Reporter 3.

Shelia Lynn Boggess-FFA 1,2; FBLA 3,4; Saftey Club 3.

Angela Boron-Band 1,2,3,4, Wind Ensemble 2,3,4; All Area Band 2,3,4; Jazz Ensemble 4; Athletics 2,3,4; Thespians 4; OKLAHOMA! 4; Volleyball Club 3; Science Club 1.



Timothy Lee Barnett
Howard Madison Beasley, Jr.
Gayle Marie Beckett

Steven Russell Beha
Lora Grandon Board
Patricia Lyn Bodkin

Nemo Allen Boggess
Richard Dale Boggess
Shelia Lynn Boggess

Cynthia Diann Bonham
Angela Boron
James Kevin Boyce

Lora Grandon Board-SAE 1,2,3, Reporter 3; FBLA 3,4, Secr. 3; Athletics 1.

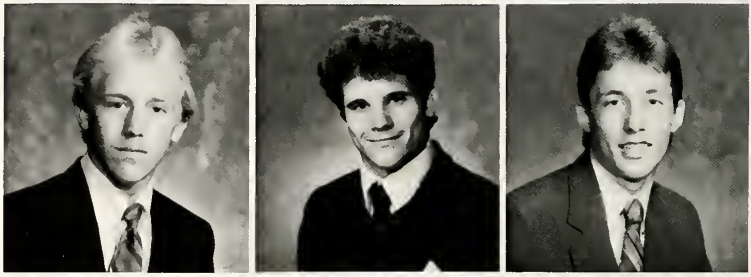
Nemo Allen Boggess-FFA 1; Safety Club 2,3; Volleyball Club 4; VICA 3.

Cynthia Diann Bonham-FFA 1; Volleyball Club 3,4; NHS 3,4; Mu Alpha Theta 2,3,4, Secr. 4; Intramurals 3,4; Athletics 1,2,3,4.

James Kevin Boyce-Rod & Gun Club 1; Explorer Post 2,3,4, Pres. 2; VICA 3, Pres. 3; AIASA 4, Hist. 4.

Laura Elizabeth Brewer
David Arlen Brown,II
Jeffery Scott Brown

Thomas Rudy Brown,Jr.
Steven Craig Buffington
Stephan Craig Burchett



Bradford Lee Burdette
Timothy Wayne Burgess
Shari Michele Bush

Christopher Scott Campbell
Joseph Patrick Carte
Deidre Sue Casto

Laura Elizabeth Brewer — Thespians 2,3,4; Mu Alpha Theta 1,2,3,4; NHS 3,4; Concert Choir 4; Show Choir 4; Yearbook 1; Athletics 1; SAE 1; Spanish Teacher 2.

David Arlin Brown — FFA 1,2; VICA 3,4.

Thomas Rudy Brown — FFA 1,2; VICA 3,4; Industrial Arts 2,3; Bow & Arrow Club 4.

Stephen Craig Buffington — Rod & Gun 2,3; Bow & Arrow Club 4; Athletics 1,2.

Stephan Craig Burchett — Athletics 1,2,3,4; Thespians 1,2,3,4, Secr. 2, V. Pres. 3, Pres. 4; OKLAHOMA! 4; Show Choir 4; Explorer Post 2.

Bradford Lee Burdette — Athletics 1,2; Industrial Arts Club 3, Pres. 3; Bow & Arrow Club 4, Pres. 4; Chess Club 2.

Cash Only

Easy Come, Easy Go

Of the few activities for students to do, going to McDonalds is very popular. Mona Reed dishes out the dough to buy an evening snack.

The ring of a cash register was often heard by students. Either at the movies, fast food restaraunts or school, students were always in contact with cold, hard cash. With all that cash floating around where did it all go? A lot was spent at the local businesses in Ripley.

The most popular place to spend money seemed to be at fast-food restaraunts. Whether just as a substitute supper, a late-night weekend snack or plain old hunger, businesses such as Rax, Ginos, Dairy Queen, McDonalds and Pizza Hut received much of students' money. Another cost to students were school functions. With these activities being a reasonable price it was a common pastime. Movies, roller skating or a few gallons of gas took the most money.

Money seemed to be the key to fun in students lives. The way they spent or saved their money involved local business. Not only did kids support the town, they helped it survive.

Cost Menu

Average Price Per Student	
McDonalds	$3.00
Sport Event	2.00
School Dance	2.00
Concert	15.00
1 gallon Gasoline	.89
Roller Skating	2.00
Movie	3.75
Large Pep. Pizza	8.00

Shari Michele Bush — FBLA 3,4.

Jerry Butler — Volleyball Club 3,4; Rod & Gun Club 1,2; VICA 3,4; Safety Club 3,4; Athletics 3; Intramurals 2.

Christopher Scott Campbell — Athletics 3; Industrial Arts Club 3; Treas 3; Bow & Arrow 4, Secr. 4; VICA 3,4; Reporter 4.

Joseph Patrick Carte — Athletics 1,2,3,4; Rod & Gun 1,2,3,4; Intramurals 3.

Deidre Sue Casto — Student Council 2,3,4; NHS 3,4; Mu Alpha Theta 3,4; Athletics 1,2,4; Co-Op 4; FBLA 4; SAE 1,3; Miss Viking 4.

Trivia Trifles

How much do you know?

Trivia Buffs. We've all met or known someone that knows a little bit about a lot of things — often worthless information. Trivia games have been very popular lately. Some are about history, music, sports, television or movies. Below are some trivia questions about our school. How many can you answer?

1. How many students attended RHS this year?
2. How many lockers are in RHS?
3. How many classes are offered at RHS?
4. How many faculty members are at RHS?
5. How many steps are in RHS?
6. How many phones are in RHS?
7. How many books are in the library?
8. How many classrooms are in RHS?
9. How many clubs at RHS?
10. How many cooks at RHS?

Answers: 1-1005, 2-1649, 3-106, 467, 5-136, 6-20, 7-9000+, 8-54, 9-26, 10-5.

Tim Thomas selects a book from one of the 9000 available in the school library. The library is open for students in the mornings and at lunch to accomodate those doing research.

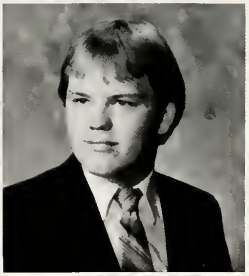
Terry Eugene Casto — Athletics 1; FFA 1; Rod & Gun 2; Industrial Arts Club 3; VICA 3,4, Pres. 4; Bow & Arrow Club 4; V. Pres. 4.

William Mark Casto — Athletics 1; Industrial Arts Club 3, V. Pres. 3; VICA 3,4, V. Pres. 4; FFA 1,2; Bow & Arrow Club 4.

Cheryl Lea Cecil — FHA 1; SAE 1,2,3,4, Reporter 4.

Harley Deane Clinton — Athletics 1,2,3,4; Volleyball Club 3,4; Rod & Gun Club 1,2; VICA 3,4; Intramurals 1.

Ruth Ann Comer — SAE 1,2; Industrial Arts Club 3; Volleyball Club 4; Baseball Club 4.



Richard Wayne Casto
Terry Eugene Casto
William Mark Casto

Cheryl Lea Cecil
Harley Deane Clinton
Ruth Ann Comer

Teresa Rhodes Comer
Katherine Lynn Coomes
Clifton Burton Crow

Pamela Sue Cummings
Sharon Ann Cummings
Cynthia Lynette Cushman

Katherine Lynn Coomes — NHS 3,4, V. Pres. 4; Mu Alpha Theta 1,2,3,4, Hist. 4; Band 1,2,3,4; All-Area Band 3,4; Jazz Emsemble 4; Class Pres. 2; Thespians 1,2,3,4; Student Council 1; Who's Who Among American High School Students 4; WVU Honor Band 4.

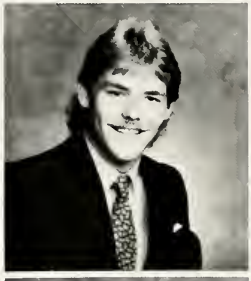
Clifton Burton Crow — Thespians 1,2,3,4; Photography Club 4, Pres. 4; Yearbook 4; Viking Press 4; Marshall Acad. Festival 3,4.

Pamela Sue Cummings — NHS 3,4; Mu Alpha Theta 1,2,3,4; SAE 3,4; Spanish Club 2; Recreational Reading 1.

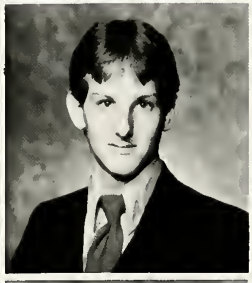
Cynthia Lynette Cushman — Student Council 3,4; Viking Press 3,4, Editor 4; Athletics 1,2,3,4; Mu Alpha Theta 1,2,3,4, Pres. 4; NHS 3,4; Thespians 2,3,4, Secr. 3; SAE 1; Japan-U.S. Senate Scholar 3; Yearbook 1.

Myra Lynn Cutright
William Brent Deese
Sharon Lynn Delong

Bonnie Gail Diehl
Harold Ellis Dorton Jr.
Michael Lee Duke



Tammy Sue Earley
Bryan David Easter
Grant Wilson Edwards



Sherry Lee Edwards
Patricia Ann Ellis
Daniel Scott Ellison

Myra Lynn Cutright — Thespians 3,4; OKLAHOMA! 4; Who's Who Among American High School Students 4; Athletics 4; Chorus 4; Wrestling Club 2,3; Mat Maid 1,2,3; Band 1; SAE 1.

William Brent Deese — Thespians 2,3,4; OKLAHOMA ! 4; United Nations Club 1,2; War Games 2; FFA 1.

Bonnie Gail Diehl — SAE 1,2,3; Pom Pon Squad 3; Co-Op 4; FBLA 4.

Harold Ellis Dorton, Jr. — Band 1,2,3,4, Pep Band 1,2,3,4; Thespians 1,2,4; OKLAHOMA! 4; Marshall Acad. Festival 1,2,4; Forensics 2; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Athletics 1,2,4.

Eagle Scoutmania

Practice the Golden Rule

The Class of '87 proved to be unique in many ways. One of those ways is that it had fifteen Eagle Scouts. This was quite an accomplishment, and one that has never before been achieved in our history.

When some of the guys were asked how Eagle Scouts has helped them become a better person, each responded differently. Here are a few of their comments:

Jason Jones — "Being in scouts and attaining the rank of eagle has helped me develop a sense of responsibility and experience things that other people don't see."

Tom Armstead — "It has built Character, morals, and leadership."

Grant Edwards — "It taught me how to set goals and achieve them."

Steve Philips — "It has helped me to deal with others and set a goal and achieve it."

Dwayne Hicks — "It has helped me in society and to learn how to help others."

Brian Iezzi — "It has taught me to help others, and to have confidence in myself."

Tim Parsons — "It has furthered our abilities to adapt to the problems of life."

In addition to those quoted above, Mike Duke, Bryan Wilson, Craig Burchett, Kevin Boyce, Harold Dorton, Bill Deese, and Steve Beha were also Eagle Scouts.

In one of the many Eagle Scout ceremonies these three members of the Evans Boys Scout Troop 407, Grant Edwards, Steve Philips, and Tom Armstead were presented with the top award.

Michael Lee Duke — Athletics 1,2,3,4; Student Council 3,4, V. Pres. 4; NHS 3,4; Mu Alpha Theta 4; Intramurals 2,3,4.

Tammy Sue Earley — Thespians 1,2,3,4.

Grant Wilson Edwards — Band 1,2,3,4, Rank Leader 3,4, Soloist 4; Pep Band 1,2,3,4; Jazz Ensemble 3,4; Wind Esemble 2,3,4; Thespians 1,4; United Nations Club 2,3; OKLAHOMA! 4.

Daniel Scott Elison — FFA 1,2; Volleyball Club 3,4; VICA 3,4.

Patricia Ann Ellis — Volleyball Club 4.

Dancing on the lighted floor to Omega Sounds, this group of students enjoy the opportunity to socialize. The Homecoming dance was one of the more formal weekend, school-sponsored dances.

Dance All Night

I like that old-time Rock'n Roll, yeah, yeah, shooby dooby doo,... If you dropped in the cafeteria on certain Friday nights, you might have been lucky and witnessed a real exciting crowd, which turned the regular lunch-room into a hot night club. It usually happened after football or basketball games, and most kids were ready to dance. Sometimes it took some time to begin to get the crowds on the floor, but there was always a group who led the kids in their dancing. They were not afraid to start by themselves, they just took off and motivated other kids to join them.

"I can see the heaven in your eyes"- Slow Dance-time for the couples! It was amazing how the rhythm of the music got lots of usually dance-shy kids on the floor. But many guys and girls just came for one reason to the dance — to have some romantic times in the dark with lovely music in the background. Whenever the music was too fast, many kids had a good time just standing or sitting at the sides.

The dances were events to come together and have fun in many ways, because dancing was not the only thing going on. On the tables at the sideline, some guys had their own Arm-Wrestling tournament, and new couples got together while old ones unfortunately often got in fights. Still, RHS dances were great events where many emotions came out —wildness, happiness, sometimes sadness and anger, but the Cafeteria was full of kids at every dance.

Kelli Kristine Ferguson — Band 1,2,3,4, Field Commander 4; Wind Ensemble 3,4; Athletics 3,4; NHS 4; Volleyball Club 4; Thespians 3.

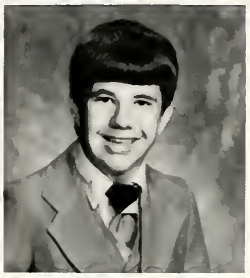
Jack Lee Fetty — Rod & Gun Club 1; Safety Club 2; Volleyball Club 3,4, Captain 3,4; Athletics Manager 2,3,4.

Larry Dean Fields — Safety Club 1; Volleyball Club 3,4.

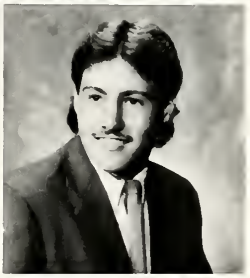
Regina Ann Fisher — Concert Choir 1; Pom Pon Squad 1,2; SAE 1,2,3; FBLA 4; Yearbook 2; Co-Op 4.

Shon L. Fisher — Rod & Gun Club 1; Volleyball Club 3,4.

Kelli Kristine Ferguson
Jack Lee Fetty
Larry Dean Fields



Missy Fields Rogers
Regina Ann Fisher
Shon L. Fisher



George Louis Ford
Jonathan Lewis Bartley Fowler
Michael Linn Fox

Terri Lynn Fox
Paul Ryan Francis
Gary Dean Frontz

George Louis Ford — FFA 1,2,3,4, Treas. 3, Pres. 4; NHS 3,4.

Jonathan Lewis Bartley Fowler — Band 1,2,3,4, Pep Band 1,2,3,4, Rank Leader 4; Jazz Ensemble 2,3,4; Wind Ensemble 3,4; Thespians 2,3,4; Show Choir 1,2,3,4; Mu Alpha Theta 2,3,4; NHS 4; Athletics 1,2,4.

Michael Linn Fox — Volleyball Club 3,4; Thespians 1,2, Clerk 2, Athletics 1,2.

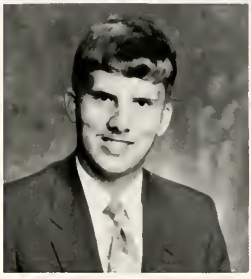
Terri Lynn Fox — FFA 1,2,3,4.

Paul Ryan Francis — FFA 1,2,3,4.

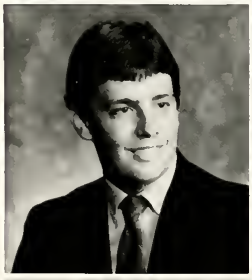
Gary Dean Frontz — Industrial Arts Club 1; Chess Club 2,3,4.

Carroll Gene Gandee
Anthony Ara Gatten
Bradley Joe Goodwin

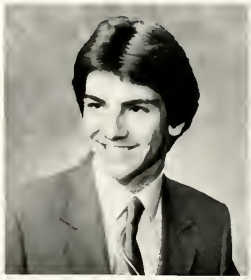
Wayne Allen Griffith
Donna Darlene Hall
Michael Leroy Hall, Jr.

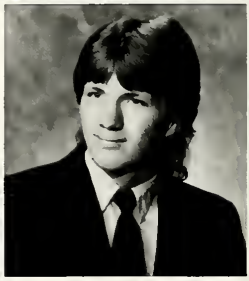


Jeffery Allen Hamon
Robert Kermit Hamon, Jr.
Alicia Elswick Hanning



David Ray Harbin
Alan Lee Harris
Gregory Allen Harrison





Gerald David Frontz — Athletics 1,2; FBLA 4, Reporter 4; Weightlifting Club 4; Chess Club 2; FFA 1.

Carroll Gene Gandee — Athletics 1,2,4; Baseball Club 1,2,3,4; Pres. 4.

Ronald Lee Gibson — Saftey Club 3; AIASA Club 4; Weighlifting Club 4.

Bradley Joe Goodwin — Athletics 1,2; VICA 3,4; Baseball Club 2,3,4, V-Pres. 4.

Michael Leroy Hall, Jr. — Athletics 2,3,4; Baseball Club 1; Spanish Club 2,3; Volleyball Club 4.

Jeffery Allen Hamon — FFA 1,2,3,4.

Election Today

Students learn dos and don't of voting process

Summer break was spent as many different ways as there were days of summer. The hot, muggy days spent by Bryan Wilson, Beth Winter, and Trudi Wright were not all fun and games. Beth and Trudi attended Rhododenron Girls State workshop while Bryan attended Boys State. The three students represented Ripley in a crowd of around 600 attending both camps.

The three attended the workshop after they were selected by teachers to attend. If they agreed to attend the workshop they were committed to a full week of election processes and government actions. The purpose was to involve participants in a life-like government. So both Trudi and Beth ran for offices in the "mock" government. The offices they selected to pursue were the House of Delegates and the Supreme Court. Trudi was elected as a member of the mock House of Delegates. Bryan received the experience of running for office in the Sheriff election. He won the primary but lost the general elections. He also met the governor in the little time he had between the many classes he attended.

This summer week was not full of play and games. It was a week of learning experiences.

Trudi Wright, Beth Winter, and Bryan Wilson were the three students who represented Ripley High School at Girl's State and Boy's State last summer at Jackson's Mill.

Robert Kermit Hamon — Viking Press Staff 3,4; Mu Alpha Theta 4; Baseball Club 1,2,3,4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Athletics 3.

Alicia Elswick Hanning — SAE 1; Thespians 2; Rod & Gun 3; Volleyball Club 4.

David Ray Harbin — Explorer Post 2,3,4; Volleyball Club 4; Quiet Games 2; Athletics 1; Intramurals 3,4.

Alan Lee Harris — FFA 1,2,3,4, Asst. Sential 2, Reporter 3; Treas. 4; National Honor Society 3,4; Class Competition Committee 4; Mu Alpha Theta 4.

Gregory Allen Harrison — Athletics 1,2,3,4; Safety Club 1,2,3; Weightlifting Club 4; FFA 1.

One of the prime times of winter is the arrival of deer season. Jim Sayre was one of the many students who bagged a buck this year.

Buck Fever

November 24 marked a long anticipated day for area hunters. It was the notorious opening day of deer season. An appreciated day off to open up the season was taken by students as well as faculty. Not everyone liked to hunt but those who did ventured into the WV hills to kill their dream deer.

Of course, for the best results, the hunters disquised themselves by wearing camouflage jumpsuits. However they also wore the regular flouresent orange accessories for safety. Some hunters laid silently on the ground, while others sat perched high in their tree stands with watchful eyes for the prize rack.

Lines such as "it was the biggest...", "he had a twenty-five point rack!..." and "... it came flying around the bend!" end this story as they do the many hunters tall tales come the end of December.

Belinda Susan Hartley — Band 1,2,3; FBLA 3,4; SAE 1,2,3.

Ricky Dale Hatfield — Saftey Club 1,2,3; Weightlifting
Club 4; VICA 3,4.

Charles David Henthorn — Show Choir 1,3,4; FBLA 2,3,4; Hist. 4; Chess Club 1; Concert Choir.

Dwayne Len Hicks — Athletics 1,2,3,4; Wrestling Club 1,2,3,4.

Kathy Lynn Hinzman — SAE 1,2; FBLA 3,4, Pres. 4.

Tina Rene' Hoffman — Concert Choir 2,3,4; Volleyball Club 3.

Belinda Susan Hartley
Ricky Dale Hatfield
Patrick Callahan Haynes

Charles David Henthorn
Dwayne Len Hicks
Debra Lynn Hinzman

Kathy Hinzman Jeffries
Tina Rene' Hoffman
Terri Lynn Hooser

Christopher Corder Hull
Brian Kirk Iezzi
Robin Lynn Igo

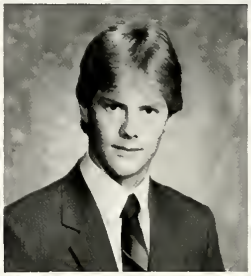
Terri Lynn Hooser — SAE 1,2,3,4; Show Choir 3,4; Concert Choir 1,2,3,4; FFA 3; FHA 4.

Brian Kirk Iezzi — Athletics 1,2,3,4; NHS 3,4; Volleyball Club 4; Industrial Arts Club 3; Mu Alpha Theta 2; Show Choir 4.

Robin Lyn Igo — FBLA 3, Treas. 3; SAE 1,2,3,4, Treas. 4.

Deborah Ann Jewell
Jason Eldon Jones
Lara Ellen Jones

Robin Jones Brown
Todd Robert Jones
Lori Michelle Judge



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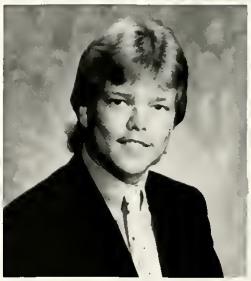
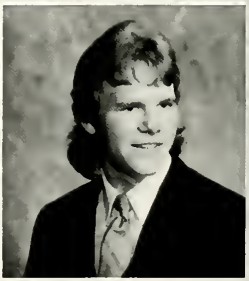



Deborah Ann Jewell — DECA 3,4, Reporter; Principals # 1 Club 2; Co-Op 4; Pon Pom 2.

Jason Eldon Jones — NHS 3,4; Mu Alpha Theta 1,2,3,4; Student Council 3,4, Pres. 4; Athletics 2,3,4; Band 1; Principal # 1 Club 2,3,4.

Lara Ellen Jones — Concert Choir 1; SAE 1; Rod & Gun Club 2; Volleyball Club 3.

Todd Robert Jones — Athletics 1,2,3,4; Rod & Gun Club 1,2,3, Treas. 2; NHS 3,4; Student Council 4; Baseball Club 4; Mu Alpha Theta 1,2,3,4.

Keeping In Touch

All in a days work...

"I hate school!" "Oh I just wish I were home!" "I can't wait till I graduate." These were statements often heard from students during the last year. For some students the feelings for teachers in general were the reason for the statements. Teachers were sometimes considered as those people who stand in the classroom, giving strict instructions to the kids, and having nothing better to do than yell at students. On the other hand, teachers often didnt receive the right appreciation. If students were failing, teachers often had to take the blame for it, because "they didn't explain it well enough." Teachers were the people who gave you in-house, turned you in for smoking in the bathroom, and watched your behavior in school with hawk-eyes.

But for several students teachers meant a lot more. Some students could be seen with teachers walking in the hallway, talking about the weekend, or other events. Others had teachers, who really cared about them. Students were impressed by some teachers' kindness, caring and easy-going style. The invisible line between students and teachers was torn down through teachers like that. Some students talked to a teacher, a coach, a secretary or a different authority about problems they had. Alot of kids didn't feel that there was an emotional separating line between the kids and adults at all. They had good times with their teachers in class, they did favors for each other and some teachers were even lucky and got Christmas and Birthday cards. It was good to see that some students and teachers said "Hi" to each other in the morning and just made the beginning of the day more enjoyable.

Even if there were some differences between students and teachers they always tried to work things out. Teachers were interested, and students usually open-minded, and RHS should be proud of the atmosphere that exists between students and teachers.

Mrs. Hutchison blends in with the "gang" during Spirit Week. Her trendy hair style fits in with those of Rod Lanham, John Moore and Matt Smittle.

Mrs. Coomes, Betty Lou Smith, Buffy Morrison and Tereasa Staats work on the Art Club Homecoming float. Mrs. Coomes was one of several teachers who helped students prepare floats.

Lori Michelle Judge — Athletics 1,2,3,4; SAE 1,2; Volleyball Club 3,4.

Michael Kevin Kelley — Thespians 1,2,3,4, Hist. 3, V. Pres. 4; Athletics 1,3,4.

Annette Sue Kerns — FBLA 3,4; SAE 2; FHA 1.

Brandon Todd Kerns — Athletics 2,3,4; Volleyball Club 4; Rod & Gun Club 4.

Mark Dale Kiser — FFA 1,2; Wrestling Club 3,4.

NO SMOKING

Students and Faculty learn to break the habit.

At the beginning of the year, Ripley High School students were allowed to smoke at the bleachers. In November the Board of Education changed the rules. Students, teachers, and visitors were no longer allowed to smoke. No where—not on the bleachers, not in the teachers lounge, not on the football fields. There were lots of discussions about this point. Some teachers were mad, because they didn't want to stop their habit (they thought that there should be differences between students and adults.) On the other hand, there were some students who felt discriminated against when they had to stop, and teachers could still go on smoking. The explanation given was that smoking was not good for the health and that the bodies of the young people still growing. That's another reason why some teachers felt that they should have had the privilege to be able to continue. Another reason for no smoking on school grounds was that the bleachers were always to dirty. After the smoking rule was changed, the bleachers were practically deserted before school and at lunch.

Shane Wolfe and Steve Beha sneak a rub of snuff behind the annex building.

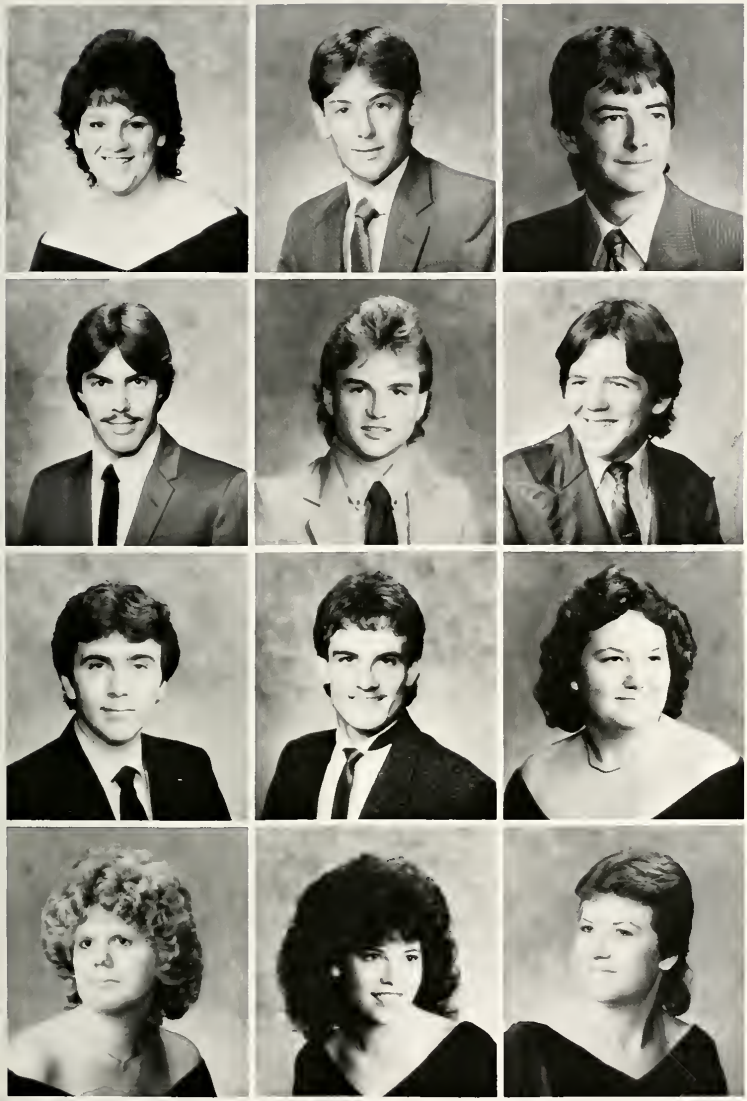
Penni Renee King-Athletics 1,2; FBLA 3; SAE 1,4; Volleyball Club 3.

Todd Edward King- Athletics 1,3; Volleyball Club 3,4; Baseball Club 1,2; Intramurals.

Jason D. Koontz-Athletics 4; Intramurals 4; Volleyball Club 3,4; Baseball Club 1,2; Who's Who Among High School Students 4.

John Keith Kuhn-Volleyball Club 2,3,4; Show Choir 1,2,3,4; War Games 1.

Charles Ralph Landis-Baseball Club 4; Small Gamems Club 1,2; Industrial Arts Club 3.



Penni Renee King
Todd Edward King
Jason D. Koontz

John Keith Kuhn
Charles Ralph Landis
Harold Ray Lane, Jr.

Alan Lee Lanham
Rod Lee Lanham
Clarice Jean Ledbetter

Kelly Elaine Legg
Annette Rene Lovejoy
Stacy Rachelle McClung

Harold Ray Lane, Jr.-SADD 4.

Rod Lee Lanham-Athletics 1,2,3,4.

Kelly Elaine Legg-FFA 1,2,3,4; Mu Alpha Theta 2,3; FBLA 3,4; Co-Op 4.

Annetta Rene' Lovejoy-Student Council 3,4; SAE 1,2; Thespians 3; Volleyball Club 4; FBLA 4; Band 1; Intramurals 3,4.

Stacey Rachelle McClung-Athletics 2,3; SAE 1,2,3,4; VICA 3,4, Hist. 4.

James Dean MuCune
Gregory Neil McDonald
Renae Dawn Mairs

Joseph Scott Milhoan
Kimberly Sue Miller
Connie Ann Mitchell

Virginia Miller Mobley
Pamela Sue Moffatt
John Franklin Moore

Mark Andrew Moore
Matthew Shane Moore
Michael Drew Morrison

James Dean McCune — Athletics 1,2; Science Club 3; Volleyball Club 4; Rod & Gun 2.

Greg Neil McDonald — Explorers Cllub 2,3,4

Renae Dawn Mairs — Athletics 1; SAE 1,2,3, Treas. 3; Yearbook 2; Pom Pon Squad 2; FBLA 4.

Joseph Scott Milhoan — Explorer Post 2,3,4, Pres. 4; Band 4; Honor Bowl 4; War Games 1.

Kimberly Sue Miller — Athletics 1,2,3,4; Class Sec. 4; Student Council 2; SAE 1; Intramurals 3.

Saying good-bye in the Hamberg Main Railway Station, Antje Baier gives her mom a final hug.

Togetherness

Being a part of the school

The first time I heard about spending a year in the U.S.A. was when I was 10 years old. With the enthusiasm of a kid, it was sure, that I would love to come here. When I really had to make my decision six years later I was not just happy and enthusiastic. I had my doubts if I really could make it through the whole year. Would I be able to adjust to an absolutely different lifestyle of a new familiy? What would I do when I had problems? Would there be people who cared for me? But finally with the help of my mother and some friends I got my self-confidence back. All the benefits came to my mind that I would enjoy because of this big chance. When I was sitting in the airplane that took me from Frankfurt (Germany) to New York, I had the feeling of pedaling between the past and the future. I was starting for a new beginning right at this moment . My host-family picked me up at the airport in Charleston. I was really happy about how nice they all treated me and I'm really thankful that I can spend my year with this family. I do love all of them. When the first day of school arrived I went with mixed feelings. I was very excited to get to know all those new kids, and I was a little afraid about how I would get along with them. Now after several months of school I can say, that I love it here at RHS. There are much more school-activities here than at my school in Germany. The kids seem to love to show their spirit in activities like, Band, Chorus, the football team, and all the others. The kids seem to stand together and want to support their school and be a part of it.

In Germany it's sometimes not easy to get kids to become active, and so I really enjoyed the spirit of the RHS kids. In the beginning, however, I had my problems adjusting to the short time between classes. There didn't seem to be time, to get to know and to come close to people, in particular, because I didn't take part in any activities yet. But then I got involved in the OKLAHOMA! musical and track, and I really wanted to give my best and be a part of this school.

Taking a break during a walk at the North Sea, Antje relaxes in the sun.

Connie Ann Mitchell — Majorette 2,3,4; Band 1,2,3,4, Thespians 4; Volleyball Club 3; Intramurals 1.

Pamela Sue Moffatt — FFA 1,2,3,4; FHA 3,4.

John Franklin Moore — Athletics 4; Rod & Gun 3,4; Intramurals 3,4; Mr. Viking 4.

Matthew Shane Moore — Athletics 1,4; Baseball Club 1,2,3,4.

Germany Meets America

An educational experience in a smalltown atmosphere.

Alex Wolf wanted to spend a year in the USA to find out about the American way of life. He was told on February 7, 1986 that he would be able to come to the United States. On August 6, he flew to Charleston by way of Chicago. He was picked up at the airport by his host family, the Nelson Parker familly. In spite of being an only child, he said he enjoyed the year with his family.

When Alex returns to Germany he will have to repeat this past school year. In Germany there are thirteen years of school, so he will have three more years of school when he returns.

Before Alex came to the United States, he had intensive preparation by former exchange students. There were several things different about the American way of life. In Germany, most families eat all their meals together but do not do many other activities together. According to Alex, the Germans are not as religious as the Americans.

Alex said he really enjoyed his year here and that he was always treated fairly.

A picture taken of Alex Wolf, by Alex, in his party room during his sixteenth birthday party. Only Alex could take a self portrait picture like this.

Another scene at Alex's birthday party, here Alex and his friend sort out the drinks and activities for the event.

Gwinn David Mullins — Athletics 1,2,3,4; Baseball Club 1,2,3; Weightlifting Club 4.

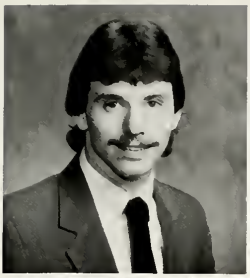
David Wayne Nutter — Athletics 1,2,3,4; Rod & Gun Club 2,3,4, V. Pres. 2; Pres. 4.

Sonya Renee Painter — Band 1,2,3,4; Color Guard 1,2,3,4; SAE 1,2; Volleyball Club 3; Thespian 4.

Donnetta Mae Parsons — Athletics 1,2,3,4; NHS 3,4, Sec. 4; Student Council 3,4, Treas. 4; SAE 1,2,3,4, Sec. 3, Pres 4; Mat Maid 3,4; Marshall Academic Fest. 3,4; Viking Press Reporter 4.

Polla Beth Parsons — Student Council 1,2; Athletics 1,2,3,4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; SAE 1,2; United Nations 3,4; Yearbook 3,4; Class Pres. 3; Miss Junior 3.

Timothy Leon Parsons — "OKLAHOMA" 4; Show Choir 3,4, V. Pres. 4; Concert Choir 3,4; Thespians 3,4; Athletics 1,2; Explorers 2; Baseball Club 1.



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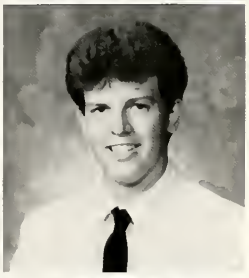

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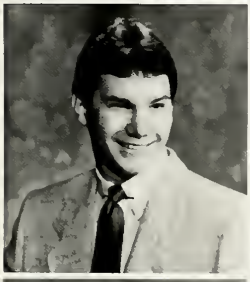

Thomas Robert Petrush
Melanie Scot Pfost
Lisa Ann Phillips

Steven Wayne Phillips
Ginger Lee Platter
Michelle Renee Pursley

Thomas Robert Petrush — NHS 4; High Q Team 4; Mu Alpha Theta 4; Honor Bowl Teaml 4; Athletics 1; Spanish Club 2; Volleyball Club 3,4.

Melanie Scot Pfost — Athletics 1,2,3,4; SAE 1,2; Volleyball Club 3,4; Intramurals 3,4.

Lisa Anne Phillips — Thespians 1,2,3,4; High Q 4; Honor Bowl 4; Athletics 2,3,4; Spanish Honor Society 4; Yearbook 3; Forensics 2.

Steven Wayne Phillips — Explorers Post 2,3,4; Athletics 1; Chess Club 1; Industrial Arts Club 1,2.

Michelle Renee Pursley — Athletics 1,2,3,4; Class Officer 1,2, V. Pres. Volleyball Club 3,4; SAE 1,2

A Visitor From Abroad

Michael VanLeeuwen came to America from Holland because it "looked like fun" to him. His brother was in the United States two years ago as an exchange student. He really enjoyed it, so this fact helped Michael make the decision to become an exchange student also.

He was placed here by the Youth for Understanding group. He made his home this year with the Roscoe Mills family. He did not know anything about his host family except their name and address until he arrived. He had never even heard of Ripley, West Virginia before he came here.

It was quite a change from Holland. Since his mother was deceased , it was different having a mother at home all the time and having a sister was also different. He stated "the food was not the same either!"

Michael said he enjoyed his year here. He said it was not always good, but there were a lot more good times than bad.

Astride a camel and with turban covered head, exchange student Michael VanLeeuwen vacations in Tunisia, North Africa.

Cindy Lee Quillen — FFA 3,4;FHA 1,2,3; Science Club 1,2; Pep Club 1,2; French Club 2; Volleyball Club 3; Athletics 1.

Mary Ellen Quinn — NHS 4; Show Choir 2,4; Mu Alpha Theta 2,3,4; Thespians 4; "OKLAHOMA" 4; Foreign Exchange Program 3; Concert Choir 1; Young Christian Club 1,2.

James Scott Ramsey — Athletics 1,2,3,4; Volleyball Club 2,3,4; Baseball Club 1; Intramurals 2,3,4p.

Rhonda Lee Randolph — NHS 4; Thespians 1,2,3,4, Sec.4; "OKLAHOMA" 4; Band 1,2,3, Rank Leader 3; Athletics 2,3,4; Student Council 4; Class Officer 3; Jazz Ensemble 1,2,3,4.

Cindy Lee Quillen
Kimberly Ann Quillen
Mary Ellen Quinn

Connie Sue Ramsey
James Scott Ramsey
Rhonda Lee Randolph

Russell Eugene Randolph
Jill Barnett Rawlings
Ralph David Ray II

Clarissa Dawn Reece
Kimberly Ann Reed
Daniel Robert Rhodes

Russell Eugene Randolph — Athletics 1,2,3,4; Rod & Gun Club 2,3,4; Intramurals 4.

Ralph David Ray II — Athletics 2; Volleyball 3,4; FFA 1.

Clarissa Dawn Reece — SAE 2,3; YES 4; VICA 4;

Kimberly Ann Reed — Quiet Games 1; SAE 2,3,4; VICA 3,4, Treasurer 3.

SKIMPY

snow days total less than three.

After it snowed during the night, the next morning everyone turned on the radio or TV to see if there would be school. If there was , then they got up and got prepared for school. But, if not, everyone slept late and loved it. After the students got up, they usually ate a big breakfast and laid around all morning. After a lazy morning, then came a fun afternoon. Some students got into snow-ball battles or went sleigh riding. Many sat at home watching soap operas or sports, or just listening to the radio. It was very unlikely that they did their homework until that evening. This left the day for whatever came along. Some of the teens helped their younger brothers or sisters build snowmen or igloos, or built them themselves. Many spent the entire day outside freezing to death or inside in their nice, warm homes.

The next morning when the TV or radio announced if there was or was not school, the students were prepared for the day, no matter what!

With snow days equaling less than three, the students began to hope and pray for any kind of precipitation. During the week of semester tests, this was the message on the school sign.

Jackie Scott Rhodes — Athletics 1; Rod & Gun 1; Volleyball Club 2,3,4.

Sherri Lynn Rigney — FFA 1,2,3,4; Majorette 2,3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Mu Alpha Theta 2,3,4.

Melissa Gail Rowley — French Club 1, Sec. 1; Safety Club 2; FHA 3,4, V.Pres. 3; Band 1;

Joseph Quenton Scarbrough — FFA 1; Rod & Gun Club 1,2,3; Bow & Arrow Club 4.

Jackie Scott Rhodes

Sherri Lynn Rigney

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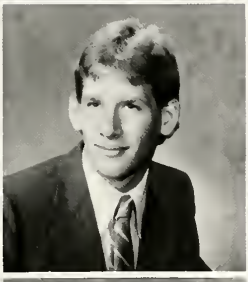
Joseph Quenton Scarbrough II



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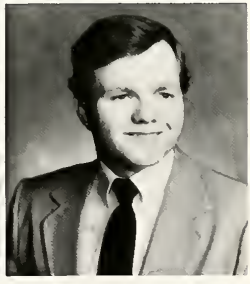
Teresa Lynn Shockey



Mayford Ola Siders

Kellie Sue Shamblin — SAE 1,2,3; FBLA 3,4; Co-Op 4; FBLA Vo-Tech 3; Hi-Y 4, Pres 4; Class Photographer 1,2,3,4; Athletics 1; Intramurals 1,2,3,4.

Todd Allen Scholl — Athletics 3,4; Volleyball Club 3,4; Rod & Gun Club 1,2.

Susan Michelle Shamblin — SAE 3,4, Tres. 3, V. Press 4; Band 1,2.

Teresa Lynn Shockey — Class Officer 1,2,4; Thespian 1,3; Industrial Arts 2, Sec. 2; Volleyball Club 4; Viking Press 4; Viking Yearbook 3,4, Layout Editor4; Athletics 1; Intramurals 2,3,4.

Mayford Ola Siders — FFA 1,2,3,4.

Bobby Lee Skeen II
Greta Lynn Skeen
David Thanel Lee Slater

Betty Louise Smith
Jeffrey Lee Smith
Melissa Carol Smith

Margaret Cottrell Kulick
Monica Ellis Smith
Raigan Kathryn Smith

Shannon Louise Smith
Walter Matthew Smittle
Lisa Lynn Snyder

Bobby Lee Skeen II-Rod & Gun 1; Bow & Arrow Club 2; Volleyball Club 3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Jass Ensemble 3,4; Pep Band 1,2,3,4; Intramurals 3,4.

Greta Lynn Skeen-Show Choir 4; Chorus 1,2,3,4; YES 4, Sec. 4; SAE 3.

Betty Louise Smith-Mu Alpha Theta 4; Co-Op 4; Athletics 1,2,3; Marshall Academic Festival 3; Art Club 2,3,4, Pres. 3,4; Thespians 1.

Melissa Carol Smith-Band 1,2,3,4; Majorette 2,3,4, Head Majorette 4; SAE 1,2,3; Thespians 4.

The Place to be...
Workshop for budding artists

The Ravenswood library, over the summer, usually was not overflowing with students. Last summer, however, during the week of July 23, Rhonda Randolph and Mandy Osborne were there with several other students.

The library was the place to be since they were art students at RHS. The workshop there was taught by Mrs. Ellen Elmes, a watercolor artist from Virginia, who was Jackson County's Artist in residence. She showed the participants techniques new to watercolor painting and tole painting. The girls practiced the styles they were taught and were judged on how well they learned the material.

Students from all over the county attended the seminar but only Rhonda and Mandy attended from RHS. These students have used their artistic talents to help school production and for their own pleasure.

Mandy Osborne rises her newly acquired techniques to crerate a watercolor painting.

Rhonda Randolph appears to be in deep concentration as she works on her painting.

Ellen Elmes shows demonstrated a watercolor techniques to Rhonda Randolph and Mandy Osborne.

Raigan Kathryn Smith-NHS 4; Class V. Pres. 3; Student Council 1,2; Cheerleader 1; Volleyball Club 3,4; SAE 1,2; Intramurals 3,4; JETS 4.

Shannon Louise Smith-DECA 3,4, Treas. 3, State V. Pres. 4; SAE 1,2,3,4; FHA 2.

Walter Matthew Smittle-Athletics 1,2,3,4; Student Council 4; Baseball Club 1,2; Volleyball Club 3,4.

Lisa Lynn Snyder-Viking Yearbook 1,2,3,4, Bus. Mang. 3, Editor-in-Chief 4; FBLA 1; SAE 2; Drama Club 3; YES 4, Pres. 4; Who's Who Among American High School Students 3,4; NHS 3,4; Mu Alpha Theta 3,4; Marshall Acad. Fest. 4.

Perfection

The Ripley Viking Marching Bands biggest dream came true on Oct. 18, 1986. The Band also known as "The Pride", was awarded Grand Champion Band at the Sissonville Band Festival.

This award was the first ever grand champion honor that Ripley has ever received.

The band was very happy to receive such an award, but was not at all pleased with the way it was achieve. When it came time to announce the awards for Class A Band, Ripley did not receive first, second, or third place. The judges just seemed to have forgotten all about Ripley. The band, fans, and director were so let down because they knew that they had given their best, but their best just was not good enough. Mr. Ryan, the band director, went to the judges table to get the scores, a routine thing for him to do, but when he looked at the scores compared to the winners he knew something was wrong. He went directly to the Press Box to speak with the judges, and indeed there was a mistake. They had received first place in Class A which gave us the points for Grand Champion, but do to a computer mistake, it had been announced wrong.

The Ripley Viking Band won the Grand Champion award at the Sissonville Band Festival on October 18. Here the band members are seen with the trophies won at the competition.

Mr. Ryan and Mrs. Poole were rewarded for their hard work when the Ripley Viking Band eliminated the competition and marched to victory.

Gary Lee Southall — FFA 1,2,3,4; VICA 3,4; Vo-Tech Student Council 3,4; AISA, Srg. of arms 2.

Tina Octavia Southall — SAE 2,3,4, State Vice President 3.

David Devon Staats — Industrial Arts Club, Treas. 3; Volleyball Club 4; Athletics 1,2; FFA 1,2; Rod & Gun, President 2, VICA, Treas. 4.

Johnny Lloyd Staats — FFA 1,2; VICA 3,4, V. Pres; Volleyball Club 4, Secr.; Athletics 1; Bow and Arrow Club 3.

Tereasa Angeline Staats — Jr. Class Officer, Hist. 3; Art Club 2,3,4, Secr. 3,4.

John Kenton Standish — Explorers Post 4, V. Pres. 4; Volleyball Club 3; Bow and Arrow Club 2; Rod & Gun Club 1.

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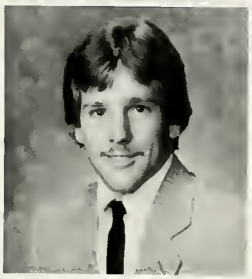

David Alan Stanley
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Christopher Alan Stewart

Melissa Jane Tackett
Glenn Robert Taylor
Carol Sue Tippens

David Alan Stanley — Rod & Gun Club 1; Explorers Post 2,3,4, Pres. 3; Intramurals 3.

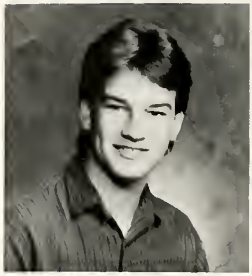
Patricia Ann Stanley — Arts and Crafts Club 1; SAE 2,3; FBLA 4; Co-Op 4.

Christopher Alan Stewart — Volleyball Club 3,4; Archery Club 2.

Tonya Jane Stover — Band1,2,3, Co-Captain Flag Corp 1,2,3; Student Council 1,2,3; SAE 1,2,3,4; FBLA 2,3; DECA 3.

Carol Sue Tippens — DECA, State and Chapter Pres. 3,4; SAE 1,2,3,4; Co-Op 3,4; FHA 1,2.

Michel Theodor VanLeeuwen
Tina Walker Southall
Susan Hinzman Walters



James Lee Webb
Cathy Leigh Welling
Troy Lee Welling

Mary Ann Wells
Glenna Mae West
Susan Kay Williams

Walter Wilson Williams
Bryan Randolph Wilson
Karla Beth Winter

Michael Theodor VanLeeuwen — Athletics 4.

Susan Hinsman Walters — SAE 1; FBLA 2,3,4; Chorus 1.

James Lee Webb — Basketball Club 1,2,3,4; Athletics 1,3,4; VICA 3,4, V. Pres. 4.

Cathy Leigh Welling — FHA 1,2,3,4, V. Pres. 2, Sec. 3, Pres. 4; NHS 3,4; Cheerleader 1,3; Mu Alpha Theta 3,4.

Troy Lee Welling — Athletics 1,2,3,4; FFA 1,2,3,4.

Mary Ann Wells — SAE 1,2,3; FHA 1,2; FBLA 4.

Scott Ramsey and Matt Smittle display their new wave hair styles at the "Senior Night" Girls Basketball game. This type of style was popular among the guys on the football team.

SHAVE

Is the Wave.

A fashion statement itself-HAIRSTYLES. Everyone noticed the new cuts, colors and shapes. The drastic differences in the eye of the beholder could be seen by anyone and everyone— curly perms, shingled sides, mohawks, and the unisex bi-level. Also popular on the scene were bobs which revived from the 20's and 30's. Other items well-known to guys as well as girls were mousse, styling gels and hairspray, lots of hairspray. With the trends emphasizing full, wavy and curly, hairspray was essential in the daily routine of fixing hair.

During football season, several of the football players had mohawks, shaves and various adaptations of these styles. This led to other unusual styles which brought attention to the students of RHS.

Glenna Mae West — FFA 1,2,3,4, V. Pres. 3, Sec.4.

Danielle Michele White — Concert Band 1,2,3; FHA 4.

Susan Kay Williams — SAE 1; Recreational Reading 1,2; FBLA 3,4, V.Pres. 3,4; Co-Op 3,4; Baseball Club 2.

Walter Wilson Williams — War Games 1; Explorers Club 2,3,4, Sec. 3, Treas. 4; Student Council Vo-Tech 4.

Bryan Randolph Wilson — Athletics 1,2,3,4; Student Council 3,4, V. Pres. 4.

Karla Beth Winter — NHS 3,4, Pres. 4; Band 1,2,3,4, Color Guard Capt. 3, Majorette 4; Mu Alpha Theta 2,3,4; Yearbook 4; Hugh O'Brian Ambasador 2; Girls State 3; Thespians 3; SAE 1,2; Student Council 1,2,3,4.

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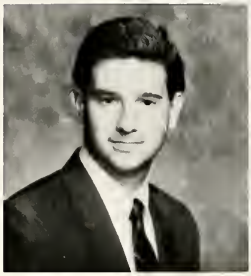
Alexander Wolf
Anita Gayle Wolfe
Micheal Shane Wolfe

Bradley Allen Woods
Trudi Gail Wright
Melissa Lenora Yost
David Franklin Young



Alexander Wolf — Yearbook 4; Exchange Student 4; Volleyball Club 4; Athletics 4.

Michael Shane Wolfe — Athletics 1,2,3,4; Rod & Gun Club 1,2,3,4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4.

Bradley Allen Woods — Band 1,2,3,4; Choir 4; War Games 1; Jazz Ensemble 3,4; Archery Club 2; UN Club 3; Volleyball 4.

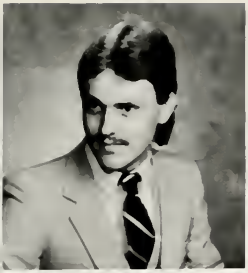
Trudi Gail Wright — Student Council 2,3,4; NHS 3,4, Treas. 3; Mu Alpha Theta 3,4, V. Pres. 4; Band 1,2,3,4, Rank Leader 4; Jazz Ensemble 2,3,4; Volleyball Club 3; Girls State 3; Who's Who Among High School Students 3; Thespians 4; SAE 2.

Melissa Lenora Yost — FBLA 1,2; SAE 4.

David Franklin Young — Baseball Club 1,2,3,4.

Tim Parsons, Bobby Skeen and Mike Kelley add a touch of class to Dress To Kill Day during the well known Spirit Week.

New found friendships were not hard to find when you put Clifton Crow and Antje Baier together. These two friends struggled through their Senior year together.



Seniors with spirit are shown here during the Homecoming Game Tailgate Party. Painting the symbols on Michele Pursley's face is Rhonda Randolph.

Greta Skeen, Pat Ellis and Teresa Shockey take it easy during a special Thursday Bonus Break. If the student body behavior is good, the administration allows a 10 minute free time to students.

Steve Buffington turns criminal when he stole Santa's toy bag during a Christmas play in Public Speaking class.

Leslie Adams
Sandy Adkins
Matt Alderman
Jeff Allen
David Anderson
Mona Anderson
Patsy Anderson
Denita Angus
Sandra Asbury

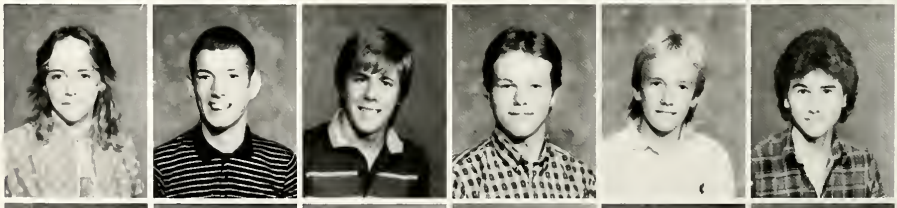
Lori Barbarow
Steve Barnette
Tonia Barnette
Greg Barker
Jack Bailey
Ronald Bailey
Sue Ballard
Joyce Balser
Courtney Black

Lisa Blankenship
Benji Boggess
Beth Boggess
Jo Boggess
Scott Buckner
Anders Bush
Shawn Bush
John Burgess
Pat Burgess

Melissa Butcher
Amy Cain
Jill Canter
Bobby Casto
David Casto
Meegan Casto
Mike Casto
Randy Casto
Renee Casto

Tina Casto
Valerie Casto
David Cavaliere
Mark Chapman
Cheryl Clendenin
Mike Clendenin
Mindy Clinton
Regenia Cogar
Tybetha Cook

Jerri Counts
Kevin Creel
Rick Davis
Doug Dingess
James Dixon
Brian Dye
Dustin Easter
Rhonda Easter
Missy Fisher



Vickie Fisher
Albert Flick
Kristina Flinn
Jon Ford
Charlie Fox
Daniel Fox
Michael Fox
Tara French
Glenn Frontz

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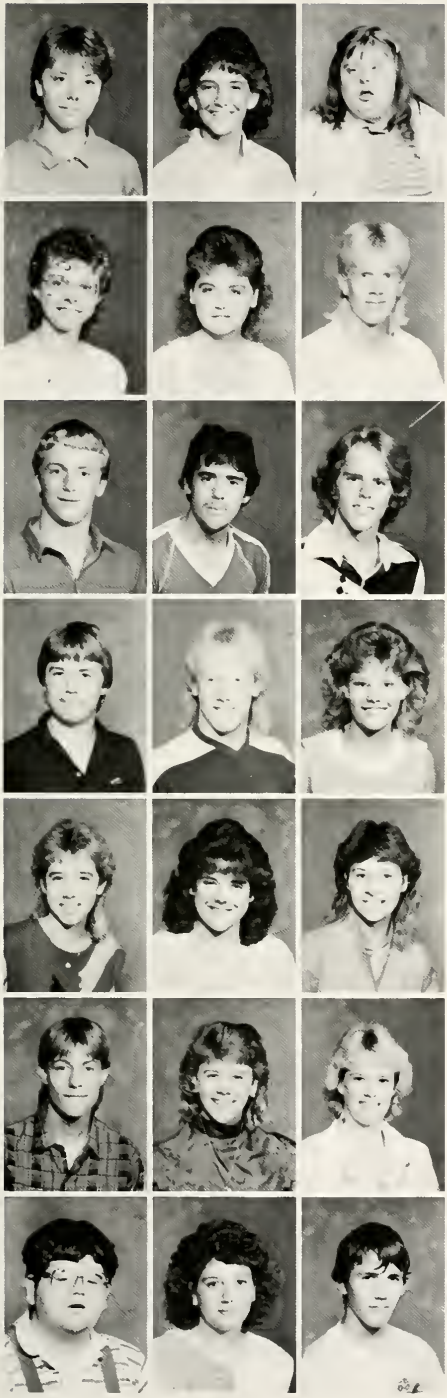

Time Will Pass... ...Will You?

It's a proven fact that everyone has had a boring class. The big question is, how did we survive a whole year of boredom. In an uninteresting class, we had the perfect solution. On really bad days the students would just give up and do the work, but that was no fun. On Monday, after a wild weekend, the students usually caught up on sleep. As the week went on, the students would get a little more energy and put some of the exciting boredom chasers into action, like talking to the people around them about the parties that were planned and boy/girlfriend problems. Then when the teacher yelled at the students for talking, they would draw pictures of him/her and write notes. But if none of the above were possible, the students could always daydream, or flirt with the girl/guy across the room that they had their eye on all year. This didn't only get rid of the boredom, but also strengthened their warped imaginations.

With various thoughts, these students are obviously bored with their class. Courtney Black, John Rummel, and Aly Goodwin lounge back and take a rest in a recent class.

Jamie Gandee
Doug Gay
Michael Gillispie
Ron Godby
Lori Goodson
Missy Green
Alysia Griffith
Chris Groves
Jimmy Halstead

Crystal Hanlon
Teresa Harbin
Melissa Hardesty
Mark Harlan
Cliford Harper
Sue Harper
Dianna Harpold
Donna Harrison
Rocky Hartley

Diana Hatcher
Chuck Haynes
George Hilbert
Tabby Hill
Paul Hinzman
Joe Holley
Rick Hoselton
Brian Hudnall
Pat Hudnall

Kim Humphreys
Jesse Hunt
Glenn Hunter
Rebecca Hunter
Dale Ingram
Becky Jennings
Donna Jersey
Eric Johnson
Mark Johnson

Eddie Jones
Jeannie Jones
Wendy Jones
Andrea Kay
Mika Keller
Melinda Kennedy
Clyde Kenny
Mike Kiser
Missy Kiser

Hazel Kerns
Keith Kerns
Kevin Kerns
Kit Kerns
Kevin King
Ramona Kirk
Michele Koontz
Frances Kulick
Larry Laughlin

Sherry Lupardus
Johnny Manns
James McClain
Kevin McClung
Shawna McKee
Missy McVey
Mike Martin
Kathy Martin
John Matheny

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Friendship

Not loneliness

Everyone has had a best friend, but how did they choose that certain person? There are many qualities that are important in a friendship. Many students would say that they were brought together by a sense of humor. They felt that it was very important to be able to tease and tell jokes without worrying about anyone getting mad. Many people thought a person with a mild sense of humor was better than one who was a total class clown. Also honesty was a very important characteristic of friendship. Melissa Butcher said "To me the most important quality of friendship is honesty. If you can't believe a friend, who can you believe!"

Trust and understanding were two other important qualities of friendship. Donna Harrison stated, "There must be plenty of trust as well as understanding to make a friendship work."

Everyone had to make an effort to keep a friendship going or else live a lonely life.

A group of friends clown around during the club period in the Band Room.

At Mrs. McDaniel's Christmas Party, her office aides enjoy a very entertaining evening.

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I Pledge Allegiance

Starting the day.

Through the hustle and bustle, the bell rang and many students started to pile into their assigned homerooms. Many of these students did not know the true purpose of homeroom. Many considered this time of the morning as a social gathering. However, in the six minutes that homeroom was alloted, many different and important activities took place.

The most important aspect of homeroom was to check daily attendance. With truancy being against the law, all school age students had to attend school. The homeroom teacher was responsible for keeping an accurate account of student attendance. Homeroom was also the time for reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, silent meditation and weekly announcements. Another activity in homeroom was where students input was asked about Student Council actions.

Even though homeroom only lasted six minutes a day, these turned into thirty minutes a week which accounted for about 1080 minutes a year. Everything from grades to lunch bills were taken care of in homeroom. Homeroom proved to be the starting point of the day.

Freshman soon learn that homeroom is not for play. Mrs. Byers' homeroom recites the pledge of allegiance at the start of each day.

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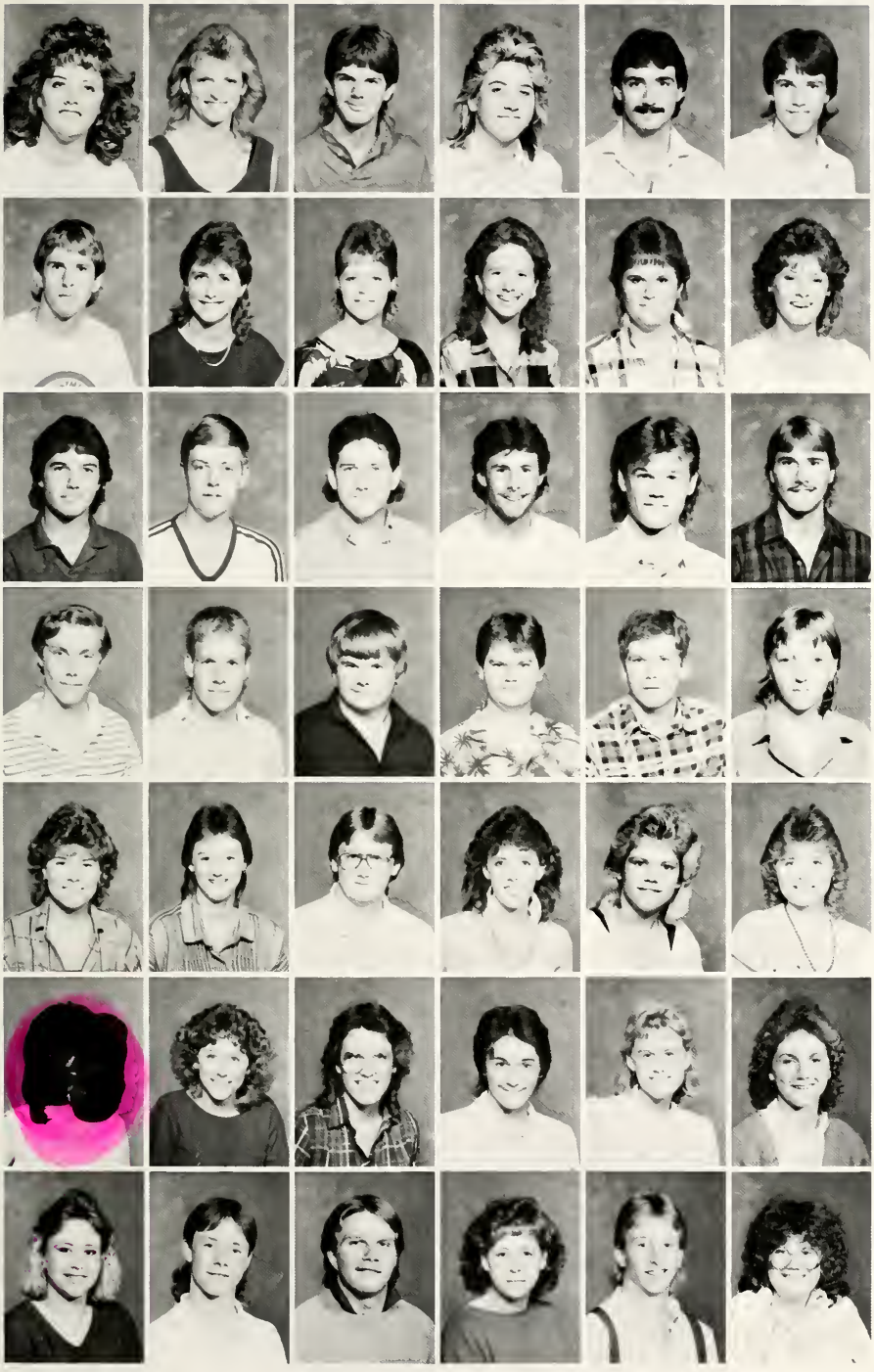

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Jeff Miles
Beth Mills
Dena Monday
Christy Morrison
Tim Morris
Tammy Murdock
Jay Mullins
Todd Mullins

David Myers
Holly Myers
Richard Myers
Nathen Nelson
Robin Norford
Mandy Osborne
Angie Painter
Jody Parrish
Paula Parsons

Connie Patterson
John Patterson
Brenda Paugh
Jim Paxton
Bill Peaslee
Bill Perrine
Greg Phillips
Jim Pinkerton
Jim Price

Virginia Pride
Gina Raines
Pam Raines
Russ Ramsey
Rodd Randolph
Tom Randolph
Jimmy Rawlings
Brad Ray
Christina Ray

Darrin Ray
Jeff Ray
Guy Redman
Mona Reed
Marian Rexroad
Anthony Rhodes
Becky Rhodes
Mary Rhodes
Nita Rhodes

Teresa Rhodes
Tony Rhodes
Scott Richardson
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Missy Robinson
Kandy Roton
John Rummel
Tammy Ryan
Betsy Sayre

Jim Sayre
Russell Scruggs
Jody Shamblin
Pam Shamblin
Scott Sheets
Charles Shinn
Renee Shinn
Dickie Shouldis
Amy Skeen

Mark Skeen
Michelle Skeen
Jeff Slater
Michelle SLaughter
Shelly Snyder
Jerry Southall

Teresa Southall
Rogar Sparks
Brooke Smith
Chaed Smith
Phillip Smith
Warren Smith

Jennie Butler
Mike Stanley
Kyle Starcher
Tonia Starcher
Derek Stewart
Stacy Stewart

Kym Stover
Tauni Strigle
Karen Stutler
Neil Thompson
Tommy Thompson
Alisha Wade

Richie Wallen
Chris Wayne
Christy Webb
Sheri Weekly
Matt Wells
Chris White

Eddie White
Carol Williams
Terry Williams
Christina Wolfe
Natalie Wolfe
Teresa Wolfe

Tonya Wolfe
Janice Wyatt
Rhonda Yoho

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Juniors Paul Hinzman, Mike Casto, Jimmy Halstead and Chris Groves are shown how to work an odd piece of equipment.

Rhonda Yoho works at the cash register as part of her classes at the Vo-Tech Center.

Dickie Shouldis and Derek Stewart clown around on their way from the main building to the annex between classes.

Eric Johnson "warms up" his trumpet before on the home football games.

No Vacancy

Quiet but Busy

After the teachers were gone and the janitors were cleaning, the school was still busy. Practice of some kind were held almost everyday. Students practiced basketball, cheerleading, and whatever else was in season. 4-H Clubs and Boy Scouts held meetings in the evenings. College courses from COGS, Marshall, and PCC were also held at the school.

There were janitors who worked all night at the school to prepare the school for the next day and to maintain security. Something was always going on!

"Where is everybody;" Mrs. Looney seems to be asking. She is amazed at the absence of noise.

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Steve Adkins
Darlene Allen
Teresa Anthony
Scott Arthur
Kim Baldwin
Vania Ball
Robin Barnett
Tony Barnett
Nancy Beauden

Amy Boggess
Benji Boggess
Patty Booher
Jamie Bostic
Jimmy Bostic
Rachel Bourgeois
Amy Bragg
Monica Braley
Trina Brannon

Becca Brewer
Draina Brown
Tom Bryant
Kevin Burgess
James Bush
Viki Carmicheal
Shawn Carson
Tracy Carte
Kathy Carter

Amy Casto
Cathy Casto
Chris Casto
Jay Casto
Jon Casto
Kelly Casto
Kevin Casto
Richie Casto
Mark Cavaliere

Rachel Chapman
Carrie Clendenin
Tiffany Click
Rhonda Cole
Steve Cole
Sandy Combs
Edward Comer
John Comer
Joe Cossin

Scott Cottrill
Staci Crawford
Kevin Creel
Sheri Christea
Jacqui Crum
Lisa Cunningham
Daphne Davis
Tracy Davis
Michelle Deem

Jeff Denenberger
Sherry Donohew
David Easter
Stephanie Easter
Donnie Elmore
Michelle Emerson
James Engle
Misty Ferguson
Scott Fields

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Joe Green
Accident Victim

On April 16, Joe Green, a member of the sophomore class, was killed in an automobile accident near Sandyville.

Joe was a popular student at RHS. He was voted Mr. Freshman by his class in 1985. He was active in athletics-he played football, baseball, and basketball. On the day before his death, he played in a baseball game in which he made several superb plays. As a memoriam to Joe, the baseball team members wore black armbands for the remainder of the season. His baseball jersey, number 14, was retired permanently. He was the punter for the football team this year and played quarterback his freshman year.

Coach Swisher said, "Joe will be missed by our team and our community. He was an outstanding, classy athlete- the type you love to coach because he always played all-out. It was very enjoyable to be around Joe because he had such an easy going personality."

This snapshot shows Joe at home during summer vacation.

Donna Fisher
Rita Flowers
Carlin Foster
Glenn Frontz
Ricky Garnes
Scott George
Kelli Glenn
Kelly Goff
Christopher Good

Ray Good
Booth Goodwin
Carrie Goodwin
Joe Green 1970-1987
Eugene Griffith
Jason Groves
Carrie Gunther
Becky Guthrie
Kevin Hall

Mellissa Hamon
Cindy Harper
Shelly Harper
Saundra Harris
Todd Harris
John Hart
Stephen Hartley
Donnell Henthorne
Shannon Hersman

Stacie Hill
Stephanie Hill
Todd Hill
Jerry Hitt
Adam Holley
Jennifer Hudnall
Scott Hutton
Jackie Jarrett
David Jones

Lewis Jones
Anna Kay
Scott Kay
Casie Kerns
Donnie Kerns
Kara Kerns
Terri Kerns
Chris Koontz
Julie Koontz

Travis Koontz
Stewart Lane
Bobby Lanham
Jason Lanham
Lynda Laughlin
Lisa Lawhon
Jamie Ledbetter
June Lester
Debbie Lin

Beth Looney
John Lucas
Gary McCue
Stacie McDaniel
Ray McIntyre
Stacey Mairs
David Marty
J.R. Miller
Rachael Miller

De De Minger
Garrett Monk
Ben Moore
Stephanie Moore
Buffy Morrison
Charles Morrison
Tami Mower
Missy Mullins
John Newlon

Amy Noble
Carol Painter
Dan Parker
Amy Parrish
Daniel Parsons
Donna Parsons
Jason Parsons
Lawana Parsons
Rick Parsons

Shane Parsons
Jason Pauley
Leslie Payton
Barbara Perrine
Missy Pettit
Jason Philyaw
Kathy Pifer
Chris Poe
Danny Profitt

Patty Propst
Janet Pursley
Kathy Pursley
Bev Rader
Andy Rake
Melissa Ramsey
Texal Ramsey
Brian Randolph
Dawn Randolph

Michael Randolph
Mike Randolph
Scott Ranson
Ronnie Ratliff
John Rayhill
Jason Rhodes
Lora Rhodes
Rick Riddle
Michelle Robinson

Greg Rowe
Marsha Rowley
James Runion
Renee Salmons
Debbie Shaffer
Laura Shaffer
Sherri Simons
Kristin Skeen
Linda Skeen

Tom Skeen
Mike Slaughter
Belinda Smith
Jody Smith
John Smith
Ronda Smith
Sara Smith
Alysia Southall
Terry Staats

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Edibles

The lunch break was the time every student looked forward to every day. The preference of students was different—some ate cold and some ate the hot cafeteria lunch. But, lunch-life was not limited to the cafeteria. There were always athletic-fanatic guys playing either basketball, volleyball or badminton in the gym. Others who watched them, enjoyed themselves standing in the gym doors or sitting on the bleachers, either eating lunch or just happy that they weren't the ones running after the ball. The library and the computer room were classrooms where students could be found working or preparing for upcoming classes. But not all students needed to have a table or a seat to study, some were satisfied just sitting on the floor in the hallways. Besides studying, there was alot of chattering going on about new dates, adventures on weekends and relationships. The hallways were also a popular place to eat Mom's homemade sandwiches and lots of junk food. When weather permitted, the new benches in front of the Annex were used. They became a place where lots of students gathered at lunchtime to talk together or just enjoy stretching out a little bit. For those people who couldn't make up their mind what kind of "lunch activity" they wanted to join, still remained the opportunity to stroll between the Main Building and the Annex,and just watch everything that was going on!

Interrupted during her lunch, Sheri Weekly provides a smile for photographer Clifton Crow.

Tonya Barnette appears to be in no hurry to get through the lunch line. Lunch time for most students is a time to socialize, as well as eat.

Eric Stanley
Brandie Starcher
Diana Starcher
Shannon Stolper
Tara Stone
Jen Stover

Tina Stutler
Jean Taylor
Matt Taylor
Gwen Thomas
Karen Thomas
Tim Thomas

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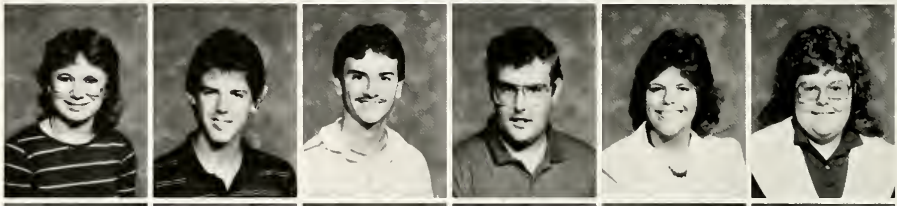

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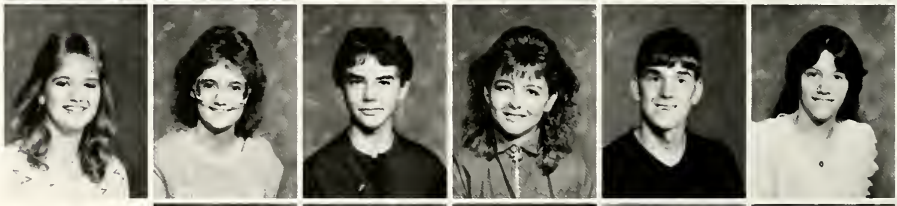


Ashli White
Kathy White
Lori Whitehouse
B.J. Whitman
Susan Wolfe

Lewis Jones, Mike Randolph, Laura Shaffer, and Scott Hutton pose during a bonus break. These sophomores are just learning the way to "high school life."

Kevin Hall seems delighted to receive a kiss from girlfriend Missy Pettit.

Donnell Henthorne and Ashli White relax while waiting to register guests at the Prom.

Vania Ball poses on Nerd Day during her fourth period Spanish II class. Mr. Zakaski did not seem to mind having rooms full of nerds, but only for one day.

Carrie Gunther really seems to be enjoying her class. Not real thrilled with her hard schedule of AT classes, she has to take a breather every now and then.

Tom Ashby in one of many left—handed students who experience the daily problem of a right—handed world!

Southpaws

Special Problems

Being a southpaw, or a left-handed writer was sometimes difficult and sometimes special. Some people liked to pick on the people who wrote with their left hand. Teachers for example, complained about the writing because it did not have the "proper" slant or was not as neat as some right-handed work. Another problem was when they had to sit at a table beside of a right handed person and tried to write. This was difficult becasue they kept hitting elbows. It was also difficult to sit beside of a right handed person when the left handed people tried to eat, because when they go to put their forks in their mouths the right handed person hits the left-handed, they poked themselves in the mouth or they lost the food. Another problem was when they went to a restaurant to eat and the door handle was made to be grasped with the right hand, but after awhile they got used to opening the doors with the right hand. Some of the left-handed people had trouble using scissors. There were scissors made for left handed people, but usually they could not cut with them. On the other hand, being left-handed was kind of special, because there are not many of them around today.

Regina Abshire
Phillip Adams
Dorsel Adkins
Mike Akers
Jason Anderson
Melanie Anderson
Ronnie Anderson
Tressa Anderson
DeDe Anthony

Gary Ashby
Eric Auther
Barbara Baldwin
Heather Baily
Tony Baily
Eric Bain
Glenn Baker
Tabbu Ball
Michelle Balliet

Sonya Barnette
Cindy Bess
Sandy Bess
Patrick Black
Brian Blankenship
Kelly Boggess
Lori Boggess
Todd Boggess
Kevin Booher

Shawn Bourgeous
Victor Boyce
Roseanna Braden
Erica Britton
Albert Brown
Deanna Brown
Jason Brown
Lisa Brown
Trina Buckalew

Julie Buffington
Brian Burdette
Vickie Burgess
Brett Carmichael
Brenda Carney
Howie Casto
Jamie Casto
Ken Casto
Shawn Casto

Stephanie Casto
Tonja Casto
Christy Cecil
Tiffany Chase
David Clegg
Jill Clendenin
John Clendenin
Kenny Cook
Jeff Coon

Dawn Counts
Bill Conley
Kathy Crawford
Lori Criss
Regina Crockett
Andy Crowder
Aaron Cutright
Alicia Davis
Cathy Davis

These Senior lockers represent the unique personalities of two of the students of Ripley High

Locker-Mania

Many people walked through the hallway with only two things in mind: getting to their class on time and talking to their friends. But if these people would have took the time to stop and look at some of the lockers, they would have been surprised. Each locker was decorated to the occupant's personal taste. For the students who didn't want to forget any school activities, lockers were decorated with calenders and memo pads. The music lovers hung posters of their favorite heavy metal and pop groups. Starstruck female fans of Don Johnson, Rob Lowe, and Tom Cruise made their statements with gorgeous pictures of these fellows.

However, not all of these decorations were for everyone. Some chose to have their boy/girlfriend's name on their locker, while others chose to hang up cuddily animal pictures. Each locker was an important part of Ripley High because each represented the unique personality of the student body in Ripley High.

Jane Davis
Debbie Dietrich
Cindy Dragoo
Jamie Durst
Kevin Eagle
Lewis Easter
Trae Elswick
Jean Estep
Kelli Faber

Melissa Ferrell
Amanda Fisher
Eric Fisher
Robin Fisher
Tod Fisher
Derek Ford
April Fox
Jose Frashier
Wendy Frederick

Cathy Freshour
Jay Freshwater
Lori Fulk
David Gandee
Chuck Garnes
Ryan Garnes
Mercell Giebell
Jamie Gillespie
Larry Good

Lynn Goodson
Alyssia Goodwin
Amy Grady
Andy Green
Jason Grim
Georgianna Grove
Kim Hall
Marcel Hamilton
Tammy Hanshaw

Billi Jo Harmon
Kristin Harmon
Stacie Harper
Trisa Harper
Randy Harris
J.R. Harrison
Aaron Haynes
Mark Hinzman
Mike Hodges

Lisa Holstead
Lisa Hopkins
Joe Hudson
Benjie Hunt
Tonia Jackson
Felicity Jones
James Kay
Brent Keefer

Donald Keefer
Steve Kerns
Ginger Kessel
Larry Kessel
Chad King
Lisa King
Cathryn Knopp
Cindy Knox
Gina Koontz

Kerry Legg
Eugenia Lieving
Paul Longfellow
Kenny Lowther
Rob Lowther
Paul Lucas
Theresa Lucas
Alice Lynch
Chandra McCoy

Jim McIntyre
James McKemy
Sandra McVey
Aaron Matheny
Jenni Matheny
Alice Matthews
Mike Martin
Jeff Merritt
Anthony Milam

Pam Milam
Steve Milam
Jason B. Miller
Jason S. Miller
Kim Miller
Corrina Moffatt
Michelle Monday
Gannett Monk
Mark Monroe

Christina Monday
Aaron Myers
Diane Myers
Emily Nutter
Kenny Nutter
Allison Parsons
Greg Parsons
James Parsons
Jeffrey Parsons

Elizabeth Patterson
Julie Patterson
George Payne
Jimmy Perry
Samantha Pfost
Greg Phillips
Rusty Phillips
Bryan Philyaw
Lee Price

Sarah Price
Tonya Price
Terri Pringle
Michelle Raines
Brad Ramsey
Cary Randolph
Kim Randolph
Kristy Ranson
Tracy Ranson

Chad Ratliff
Kelly Reece
Jeannie Reno
Curtis Rhodes
Shelia Rhodes
Missy Roberts
Stacey Rummel
Teresa Runion
Kelly Rymer

Coming
and Going

Ripley High students had many several options for transportation to and from school. Many chose the school bus as their way of getting to school.

There were many reasons why the bus was used. First, it was free. Students did not have to pay for the gas or the repairs for the bus. Another reason was that most buses ran in front of or near most houses. However, if the bus did not go in front or the house and the student had to walk one mile or more they were paid by the Board of Education for the inconvenience. Another reason students rode the bus was because of the return ride home or to other friends homes. Disadvantages included such things as the younger students on the buses, who caused much confusion. Then the roads which the buses had to travel were not the best of quality. This caused headaches and body pains. Unfortunately, the ride was a long one for some students. With many students living in areas such as Medina, Fairplains, Kenna and Fozen Camp the ride can be as long as thirty minutes.

The advantages of riding the bus seemed to outweigh the disadvantages since the student-body seemed to prefer the bus.

Staci Crawford really looks excited about coming to school as she gets off the bus early on a Monday morning.

Greg Phillips is another of many students who rise early to use the bus as their means of transportation to school.

Unique

Taste in Food

Yuck! What may have sounded strange to some was good to others. Our Ripley High students experimented with different foods this past year.

The students appeared to have unusual tastes. For instance, Becky Jennings showed an interest in cold pizza for breakfast. A specialty for lunch was Tom Ashby's peanut butter and tuna fish on toast sandwich. A dinner with Mona Reed was a pizza with toppings of ham and pineapple. For those who preferred sandwiches there was Jo Boggess' peanut butter and banana sandwich. Those who chose to snack around could have chosen to try Sonya Painter's Doritos and marshmallow cream or Meegan Casto's macaroni and cheese with ketchup.

These students all showed a different taste. Each of them enjoyed experimenting and eating their new creations.

Cooking talent is also appreciated in subjects other than Gourmet Cooking Class. Dwayne Hicks demonstrates this in his Spanish II "Food Day."

Amber Sanney
Marlene Sauls
Katheryn Seymour
John Shaffer
Richie Shaffer
Chris Shamblin
Tony Shamblin
Turner Sharp
Wendi Sharp

Angie Shively
Mike Shockey
Shawn Siers
Katrina Simons
Brian Sizemore
Shawn Slaughter
Calvin Smith
Candy Smith
Mary Jane Smith

Stephanie Smith
Tina Smith
Vonda Smith
Ben Smoulder
Kim Snyder
Melissa Snyder
Scott Snyder
Richard Southall
Laura Standish

Bobby Starcher
Steve Starcher
Aaron Stephens
Aaron Stephenson
Sean Stewart
Shawn Stone
J.R. Stover
Mark Stover
Donna Straight

Jackie Sutherland
Carla Thomas
Nathan Thomas
Richard Thomas
Patricia Thomas
Lisa Thompson
David Tolley
Mondo Tribett
Michael Varney

Charmin Walker
Tina Walker
David Waybright
Lisa West
Amy Westfall
Carrie Westfall
Melissa Westfall
Randy Westmoreland
Sandy Wheeler

Sharon Wheeler
Beth White
Melissa White
Valerie White
David Williams
Kenneth Withrow
Ronnie Wolfe

MARTINSBURG WHO!

Showing his freshman spirit, Benji Hunt is photographed by Jackson Herald photographer, Hank Gibson. Benji was one of many students who attended the state football playoffs in Morgantown.

Catching some social time between classes, Christy Cecil and Samantha Pfost have a chat with Texal Ramsey.

Chandra McCoy has a smile on an early fall morning. Adorned in a Varsity jacket, she is prepared for the high school life.

Enjoying the elective courses such as home ec, Barbara Perrine and Vickie Burgess like the variety of classes that high school offers.

These freshman girls, along with the rest of their classmates, must take American History as a part of their 21 required credits to graduate.

Showing off her Halloween Jack 'O Lantern, Cindy Knox spends this October club meeting being creative.

Homework and an active social life are enough to drive anyone bonkers. Cary Randolph isn't yet, but what will three more years do to him?

Vo-tech Faculty

Raymon Cunningham, Director
Barbara Anderson, Health Asst.
Dean Anderson, Main. Super.
Randall Board, Auto Mech.
David Bourgeois, Mech. Cluster
John Bowen, Electronic Inst.

Betty Buck, Bus. and Office
Connie Bush, Secretary
Wendell Butner, Post Secondary
Bill Buzzard, Food Service
James Carter, Asst. Dir.
Danny Cummings, Support Services

Jan Cunningham, Secretary
John Fichtner, Ag. Mech.
Foy Harper, Auto Diesel Mech.
Jerri Greathouse, Child care
Jim Hutton, Computer Network
Phyllis King, Practical Nurse

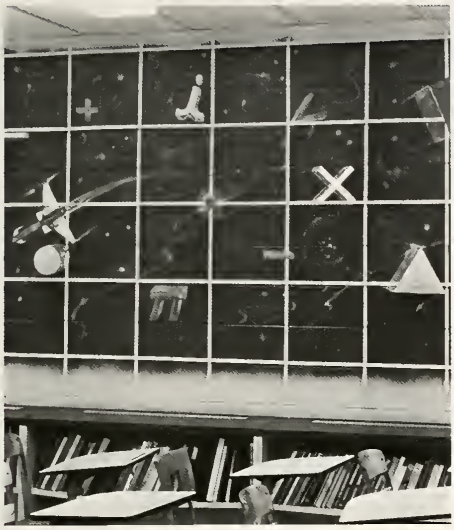
Russell Moore, Ground Main.
John Ray, Drafting
Barbara Scarberry, Marketing Educ.
Doris Skeen, Secretary
Sam Skeen, IMC Coord., Adult Ed.
Enoch Staats, Building Const.

Sharyn Vanfossen, Power Sewing
Mike Williams, Building Maint.
Janet Witt, Business & Office Aide
William Wright, Auto Mech.

Cafeteria Workers: Mable Hileman, Cafeteria Manager; Henrietta LeMaster; Pat Shiflett; Myrtle Winter.

Raymond Ramsey, Custodian

Boyd Kessel, Custodian



Creative thinking...
Teachers use imagination

Decorations were the "in" thing for teachers last year. There were as many ways of decorating the rooms as there were rooms. Some teachers bought posters to put up on their walls. These posters both educational and colorful were a major source of decoration. Teachers added the "home" look with a touch of flowers and greenery.

A new addition to the rooms were painted wall murals. Steve Zakaski had a tropical jungle scene painted over the summer by students and himself. Jim Bush also displayed artistic scenes on his walls. Scenes from English Literature gave an exotic atmosphere to the room. The pictures were painted by Mike Walters. Sheila Byers also reflected her subject area on her wall. Rockets, geometric shapes and math symbols were created by her son Danny.

Even though not all teachers had elaborate decorations, most had well decorated bulletin boards.

One of the many decorations that adorned the walls of Ripley High. This mathematical painting was painted for Mrs. Byers by her son Danny Byers.

This tropical forest decorated the walls of the Spanish room. The scene was painted over the summer by Mr. Zakaski and some of his students.

Jack Wiseman
Keith Winter
Kent Kennedy
Jana Adkins
Steve Ashworth
Wadke Bailey
Roy Bolyard
Steve Buffington
Sheila Byers

Christina Caplinger
Shirley Coomes
Mike Deem
Connie Dewhurst
Barbara Duranti
Dean Fisher
Sandra Gunther
Melinda Hamilton
Giacomina Hammack

Curtis Harper
Vickie Harper
Joan Henthorne
Frank Hughes
Ruth Hutchison
Larry Jordan
Nancye Kelly
Saundra Lattea
Diane Looney

Marilyn Ludwig
Joanna McDaniel
Jim Mahan
Nellie Mellinger
Wanda Metz
David Moore
Helen Morris
Steve Mullins
Sharon Poole

Karen Poorman
Sue Ray
Diane Rhodes
Max Robinson
Carol Ross
John Ryder

Elizabeth Seymour
Lea Ann Sharp
Peggy Sias
Becky Smolder
Lora Sturm
Ray Swisher

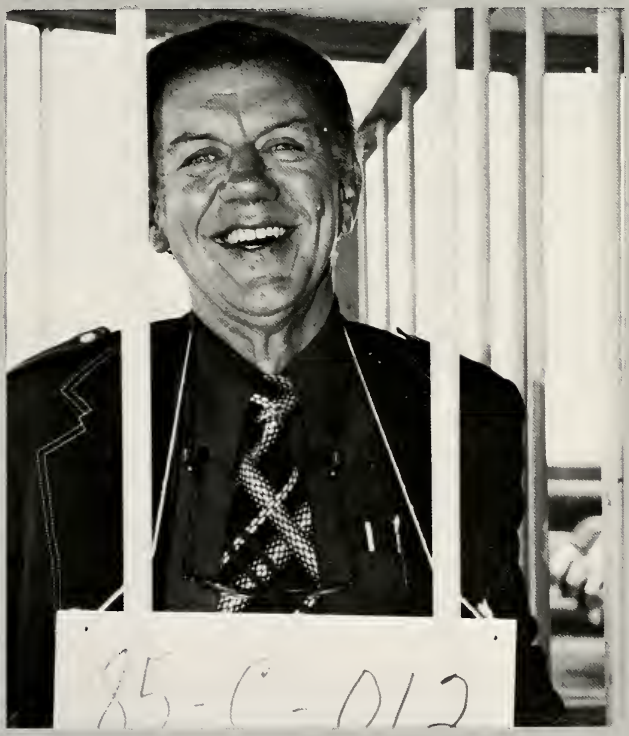
Elizabeth Taylor
Gayle Thompson
William West
Nancy Whitman
Lisa Wright
Steve Zakaski

Committed
to Education

Dr. James Lannan, a well-known face from the Jackson County, area died on February 11, 1987, after a long bout with cancer.

He served as Superintendent of Jackson County Schools for six and one half years. Under his guidance, county schools gained statewide recognition for academic achievement, and student test scores improved measurably. Dr. Lannan dedicated thirty years to the educational field. During this time he served in positions as teacher, coach, principal, superintendent and assistant professor at West Virginia College of Graduate Studies.

Mr. Wiseman said, "Dr. Lannan not only was a dear friend, he was also an outstanding educator who helped move Ripley H.S. into the exemplary status it presently enjoys. Dr. Lannan will be sorely missed by staff, students and community. He truly is a legend to Ripley H.S."



Dr. Lannan awaits payment of his bail during the annual Cancer Arrest Day.

Dr. Lannan addresses one of the graduating classes which is one of his duties as superintendent.

Two freshmen adjusting to high school classes such as Drafting, Benji Hunt and Brent Keefer work on their assignment.

A new addition to Ms. Heckert's Biology room was the arrival of the salt water aquarium. Animals such as sea anemones, sea cucumbers, snails and horseshoe crabs adjusted to being watched by students like Scott Ranson and Eric Hersman.

Academics

To be lazy was out. To be smart was in. To show school spirit was not just determined with participating in sports, but in representing the school with an excellent grade point average. This was what many students were shooting for this year.

The school expanded its learning program by offering the students a variety of AT classes in all general subjects, and AP Calculus was added. The teachers tried and understood how to make the class period more interesting and fun while the students responded and invested more time in their subjects.

Statistics show that the CTBS test scores of RHS students constantly go up. This along with the fact that the Seniors scores were better than any before made Mr. Wiseman and the other administrators very pleased.

High test scores, great grade point averages and helpful teachers made academics rise

OUT OF THE BLUE.

One of the students in the higher math classes, Steve Phillips is a sixth period Algebra III student. Algebra III math classes were popular for those students planning on entering college.

"Swing to your right and dosey do!" Gym class was not always hard sweaty work. The days, for instance, when square dancing occurred, the mood of students turned from competitive to fun.

School Publications are

Special Editions

School Publications were not given much thought until the Newspaper stories were read and the yearbooks came back. The Viking Press and the Viking Yearbook were the two publications produced by talented students of RHS.

To remember the highlights of the school-year, outstanding events and student activities was what the yearbook was all about. To get the finished yearbook, many hours of work were spent in production. Layouts had to be drawn, information had to be gathered, features had to be written and pictures had to be taken. The whole organization of the yearbook was pretty difficult. New staff members had to catch up on basic yearbook technology while experienced members were there to lend a hand. During the slow periods of the year and as reward for hard work pizza parties along with staff birthdays were celebrated. Yearbook, as a class, was a lot of fun but serious work was the key.

"Don't be left out in the cold . . . Buy your Viking Press Tomorrow!" Signs such as this were seen frequently during the year. The monthly publication of the Viking Press was well announced. With a yearly budget of $2000, the newspaper charged the lowest possible price of twenty-five cents. A complementary issue was given to all faculty. Stories dealing with school activities to new laws passed by legislature were reported by the staff of twenty journalism students.

Both publication of the school were given just-praise when issues like the "Homecoming," "Santa Letters," "Sweetheart Messages," and the "Senior Issue" came out. The Yearbook as well as the Viking Press were given due compliments when their work was completed.

Viking Press: Front Row: Cindy Cushman, Teresa Wolfe, Clifton Crow, Bobby Hamon, Jeff Miles. Second Row: Donnetta Parsons, Meegan Casto, Jo Boggess, Teresa Shockey, Renee Casto. Third Row: Johnny Manns, Derek Stewart, Christy Morrison, Nancy Beaudin, Vicki Fisher.

Trying to reach their deadline, Diana Hatcher, Lisa Snyder, Clifton Crow, and Janice Wyatt work together to get the underclassman pictures numbered and identified.

Using the light table, Teresa Wolfe completes her task of pasting up her page in the newspaper.

Experienced staff member Polla Parsons shows new staff member, Beth Winter, how to use the difficult picture cropper.

Sports Editor Bobby Hamon looks through the pictures that may be used in the next issue of the Viking Press during his Journalism II class.

Yearbook: Front row: Clifton Crow, Antje Baier, Lisa Snyder, Polla Parsons, Teresa Shockey, Alexander Wolf. Second row: Janice Wyatt, Diana Hatcher, Chrystal Hanlon, Christy Morrison, Donna Harrison, Melissa Butcher.

Practice Makes

MUSIC LIVE

As the band marched through the various routes, the crowd wondered how the band got to be so good. Many wondered if the band was always so somber. In reality, the band puts in many long hours of practice. But, they always find time to have fun.

To maintain their position of being the pride of Jackson County, the RHS band had to have many hours of practice. Their free time was often interrupted with scheduled practice sessions. Even their summer break was interrupted with a week-long band camp in August. Here the students were required to learn new routines and march in the hot August sun.

However, all the hours of practice paid off. The RHS band competed in many competitions where they brought home many trophies in every area. They also performed fabulous halftime shows for the cheering Viking crowd. The band was asked to march in many parades in the area, like the Christmas Parade.

Even though band members complained about the sweat, sore muscles, and a sometimes cranky Mr. Ryan, they knew that all of these things combined would keep them the pride of Jackson County.

Band was not all work and no play. Trudi Wright, Booth Goodwin, Missy Smith, Beth Winter, Grant Edwards and Steve Adkins clown around on one of the many bus trips taken by the band.

Grant Edwards performs a trumpet solo during one of the football half-time shows.

Percussion — first row: Katy Coomes, Harold Dorton, Joe Milhoan. Second row: Jon Fowler. Third row: Courtney Black, Booth Goodwin. Fourth row: Rick Thomas, Richard Myers, Jimmy Pinkerton, Lee Price. Fifth row: Mike Kiser, Chandra McCoy, Chris Koontz, Scott Slaughter. Back row: Ginger Kessell, Tonya Barnette.

Majorettes — from bottom to top: Missy Smith, Amy Parrish, Denita Angus, Beth Winter, Connie Mitchell, Sherri Rigney.

Saxophones — from bottom to top: Trudi Wright, Katheryn Seymour, Anthony Milam, Kristen Harmon, Jamie Durst, Tybetha Cook, Donnell Henthorne, Amy Parrish.

Flute — first row: Tracey Ranson, Mika Keller. Second row: Kathy Crawford, Kim Miller, Jo Boggess. Third row: Kelly Ferguson, Meegan Casto, Betsy Sayre. Fourth row: Beth Winter, Stacie McDaniel, Becky Rhodes. Fifth row: Aly Goodwin, Erica Britton, Wendi Sharpe, Kelly Glenn.

Flags — First Row: Tauni Strigle, Sonya Painter, Tonia Starcher. Second Row: Kelly Glenn, Renee Casto, Amy Casto, Kristen Skeen. Third Row: Angie White, Tara Stone, Betsy Sayre, Becky Rhodes.

Clarinets — First Row: Sherri Rigney, Michelle Backus, Sonya Painter. Second Row: Angie White, Tara Stone, Carrie Gunther, Renee Casto, Tauni Strigle. Third Row: Amy Casto, [redacted] Tonia Starcher. Standing: Mitsy Ferguson, Valerie Casto, Chandra McCoy, Robbie Lowther, Felicity Jones, Kim Randolph, Elizabeth Seymour, Alice Lynch, Heather Bailey, Brian Burdette, Beth White, Robin Norford, Wendy Jones.

Rifles — First Row: Tabby Hill, Jo Boggess. Second Row: Donnell Henthorne, Mika Keller. Third Row: Trina Brannon, Carrie Gunther.

Trumpets — Clockwise from Bottom Left: Sharon Wheeler, Christy Ranson, Vania Ball, Shawn Slaughter, Sara Price, Beth White, Lori Boggess, Renee Salmons, Kim Lowther, Chaed Smith, Eric Johnson, Tom Armstead, Brad Woods, Grant Edwards, Steve Adkins, Jon Rummell, Aaron Cutright, Billy Jo Harmon, Aaron Haynes, Michelle Ballet, Jenni Matheny, Jamie Gandee, John Newlon, Tonya Adams, Missy Smith, Tabby Hill, Denita Angus.

MUSIC LIVE

One of the fun things the band does each year is make their annual trip to Huntington, the band performs two separate times. The wind ensemble performs for competition, and the full band marches a parade. The Huntington trip is definitely a bright spot in the bands schedule.

Last year the band added another fun activity to its regular schedule. The band took a trip to Sea World at the end of May.

The band boosters and directors decided to do this for that particular band, because it was well deserved. The band was the southern regional grand-champions at the Sissonville band festival. This was the first time a Ripley Band has ever received such an award.

French horn — First Row: Donnell Henthorne, Josie Frasier, Kristen Skeen. Second Row: Rhonda Yoho,

Trombone — Ben Smolder, Becky Jennings, Sandra Harris, Glenna West, Jeff Smith.

Tuba — First Row: B.J. Whitman, Connie Mitchell, Angie Boron. Second Row: Alex Bain, Jay Casto. Third Row: Bobby Skeen.

Music Lives!

1987 — The year of the big success! For so many years the Ripley High School Choir couldn't quite succeed the way they wanted. Since Mr. Ryder has been at RHS, the achievement of the Choir has been increasing steadily.

In 1987, the line of success reached its peak. The remarkable work that was done in the Show and Concert Choir classes was to be noticed in the Christmas Concert, the outstanding performance of "OKLAHOMA" and the Spring Concert. Besides those performances, the choir members went on several tours to elementary and middle schools and were judged in different competitions. The scores in state competitions for show choir were "excellent" and for the concert choir "good." The Ripley High School choir also had the honor to send four All-State Choir representatives Mary Quinn, Brad Woods, Doug Dingess, and Alex Bain.

A lot of things were achieved and the school had a good reason to be proud of their choir. This was one of those classes that required dedication, to reach out for goals and achievement, and still have fun. That was what held our choir together.

Choir: Row 1: John Ryder, Lori Criss, Jenny Matheny, Antje Bair, Lisa Carmichael, Michelle Backus, Mona Anderson, Greta Skeen, Steven Hartly, Eric Bain, Tess Anthony, Stephanie Smith, Staci Harper, Terri Hoosier, Dee Dee Anthony. Row 2: Sue Ballard, Mary Quinn, Teressa Anderson, Corina Moffat, Sonja Barnette, Michelle Raines, Missi Tackett, Jason Groves, John Kuhn, Alex Bain, Tim Parsons, Laura Brewer, Shelley Harper, Laura Shaeffer, Angela Smith, Cathy Freshour, Tracy Carte, Nicole Blackburn, Melissa Farell. Row 3: Eugenia Lewing, Vicky Perrine, Teresa Harper, Heather Bailey, Tina Hoffman, Julie Buffington, Jon Fowler, Craig Burchett, Doug Dingess, Jim Pinkerton, Steve Beha, Brad Woods, Anders Bush, Vania Ball, Kristen Skeen, Belinda Smith, Missy Pettit, Diana Hatcher.

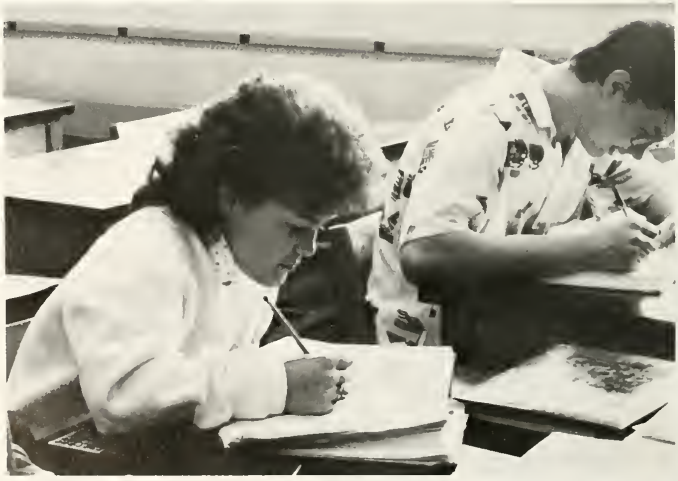
Show Choir: Front: Anders Bush, Missy Pettit, Jon Fowler, Tim Parsons, Michelle Backus, Belinda Smith, Laura Brewer, David Henthorne, Alex Bain. Middle: Shelly Harper, Steve Beha, Doug Dingess, Mary Quinn, Vania Ball, Steven Hartley, Mona Anderson. Back: Terri Hoosier, Brad Woods, Kristen Skeen, Jimmy Pinkerton, John Ryder, Jason Groves, Sue Ballard, Craig Burchette, Greta Skeen.

Chosen for All-State Show Choir are (Clockwise from Bottom Left) Mary Quinn, Alex Bain, Brad Woods, Doug Dingess.

Seniors Cindy Cushman and Cindy Bonham laugh in desperation as they try to solve an impossible AP Calculus problem.

Jason Jones works on a research paper concerning English literature. This paper is mandatory for graduation.

Lori Judge and Tom Petrush work diligently on AP Chemistry to keep up with Mrs. Max.



Students are at the

Head of the class

The great finale was scheduled for the week of May 22-26. That was if you were an "AP" student, one who was in an Advanced Placement class. These classes included AP Biology, AP Chemistry, AP Calculus, AP English, and AP American History.

Unlike regular classes, these classes offered college credits to those students who were willing to meet the demanding schedule. The amount of college credit given to the students was determined by their score on the Advanced Placement test given at the end of the year, and the college or university the student chose to attend.

Participating in these classes put a strain on students with difficulties like cramming in the time to read 3 to 5 books a week, stretching a class over two periods, memorizing all those dates and events, and trying to work math problems that seem impossible. Also, the need to make a good score on the AP test puts the students under a lot of stress.

AP Classes have lots of advantages over regular classes. They helped prepare students for demanding college careers and sometimes got their freshman year of college out of the way. The classes also helped students grow into responsible mature adults.

Although AP classes were demanding and strenuous, they were vital in preparing students for college.

Senior Laura Brewer and Junior Anders Bush smile as they complete an AP Calculus problem that seemed to take forever.

Mona Reed looks happy about her CTBS test scores that she received in Mr. Barnette's history class.

Juniors, Missy Fisher and Eric Johnson, work desperately to complete an Algebra III test, while Chris Wayne appears to take the easy way out and copy the answers from Eric.

Senior Robby Taylor concentrates hard while taking one of Ms. Heckerts Chemistry I tests.

Juniors David Casto and Missy Fisher look over their CTBS scores during fifth period history class.

Junior Teresa Wolfe gets an ACT application form from Mrs. Smolder. The ACT test is used as a college entrance exam.

Mrs. Thompson explains CTBS scores to Mr. Barnette's fifth period class. Overall the Juniors improved their scores compared to last year.

The Final Hour

Outcome Unknown

Some studied many hours and some barely slipped through the year. These tests consisted of the mandatory high school CAT-CTBS exam, the college entrance tests ACT and SAT along with the hundreds of tests taken each year in high school.

Unlike the weekly Vocabulary tests, the ACT and SAT exams were given only a few times a year. With admission to college riding on these tests the pressure was on for high scores. Almost all college prospectives took the ACT and the SAT was taken only by those applying to out of state schools. A preportory test to the SAT was the PSAT. Juniors were the students concerned with this test because it identified the top 2% in their class in the nation.

Other popular tests during the school year were the ASVAB and the CTBS tests. With a large portion of students turning to the Armed Forces, the ASVAB test was of high concern. It quizzed on different academic sections and was then used as a placement record. The CTBS test was administered to the entire school system. They helped rank these to participate in the new "Academically Talented" program and other special classes.

To the students, school would not be school without the dreaded but useful test. Used as threats, check-ups on learned material or college entrances; the test was a well-known item in the daily life of a student.

Jack of All Trades

The Arch A. Moore, Jr. Vo-tech Center proved to be more than just a school for students. It offered them activities and experiences that they could use for a lifetime.

Vo-tech offered many courses with a wide range of variations. There were secretarial classes, business classes, computer classes, agriculture classes, and automobile related classes. The students learned aspects of their perspective careers that would help them later in life.

By taking classes at the Vo-tech Center, the students gained the knowhow and experience that they would need in their careers. With this experience and knowhow they could join the work force with greater confidence.

In addition to classes, the Vo-tech Center offered many activities that improved the student's leadership abilities, civic and social skills. Many of the students had the chance to travel across the country. Students in DECA went to Washington, D.C. and New Orleans. There was also special events that got the community involved in the center. At the end of March, the Vo-tech Center invited elementary students to Agriculture Day, to pet animals and see how they are taken care of.

With the many activities that Vo-tech offered, it provided students with the experience that they could use for an entire lifetime.

Bart Hughart and Randy Casto make a concrete float during afternoon Vo-tech.

Mayford Siders shows off his favorite riding lawn mower used by Ground Maintenance to keep the Vo-tech grounds looking spiffy.

Tony Rhodes and Scott Richardson are repairing a model of a house that will be taken to the Charleston Civic Center for display.

Lyndal Shaffer and Junior Billy Perrine repair the body of a car. This was a critical grade for this auto body class.

Jerry Frontz fills out an application on his computer in Business and Office class.

Holly Myers sews a sweater in Power Sewing class during afternoon Votech.

Ready to take a shot, Sophomore Mitsy Ferguson is prepared to do battle. One of the younger members of the Volleyball team, Mitsy holds her own among her teammates.

With a high five and a yell, these two players are excited about the game. After a winning home game, the guys had something to celebrate.

Sports

"Na-na-na-na-na, Ripley Vikings are the best, the best of all the rest!" That was one of the cheers that could be heard everywhere that Ripley's teams and their supporters went. It was a special year for some teams, and a disappointing one for others. But they could always be sure of one thing, they would never lose the support of their Ripley supporters. Coaches tried to make their teams the best they could be, and the kids who cared, gave their best. That was all that anybody expected them to do. There were two special mascots who accompanied Ripley in certain sports events: the big Vike, swinging the blue & white flag and the Chicken Dance that was danced by all real Viking supporters. The fun, the spirit and the enthusiasm just came . . .

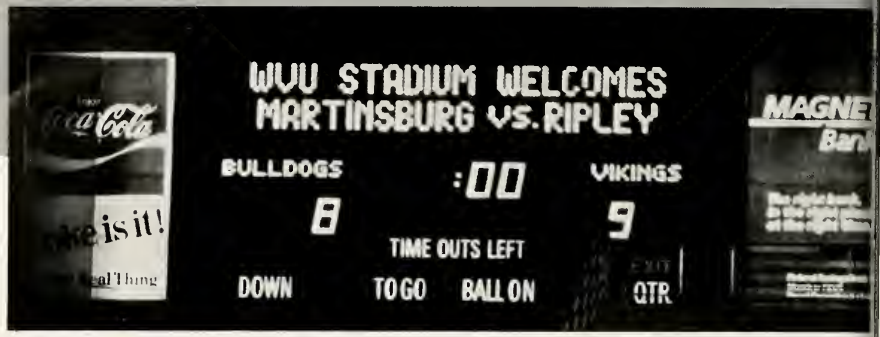
OUT OF THE BLUE.

Caught in a tight squeeze, Junior Dickie Shouldis concentrates on his escape plan.

With only two Seniors on the team, the Juniors were also considered leaders.

Using instinctive movement, Melanie Frost out shines her opponent. With teammates from both sides watching, it is a match only between the two.

Mountaineer Scoreboard displays a 9-8 Viking win in first round state playoffs. The Vikings defeated the Martinsburg Bulldogs. This win advanced the Vikes to the Final Four.



Packy Carte takes on a Martinsburg Bulldog defender at Mountaineer Field. Packy carried the ball 5 yards before being stopped.

Rod Lanham, quarterback for Vikes is being manhandled at Mountaineer Field by a Brooke Bruin in the semifinals of the AAA state playoffs

VIKES in Football

All the way to states

RHS		
13	Winfield	41
7	Milton	0
0	Sissonville	14
10	Huntington H.	0
7	Huntington E.	0
17	Barboursville	14
3	P'burg South	0
23	P'burg South	0
23	Pt. Pleasant	0
20	Hurricane	14
16	Ravenswood	7
9	Martinsburg	8
10	Brooke	28

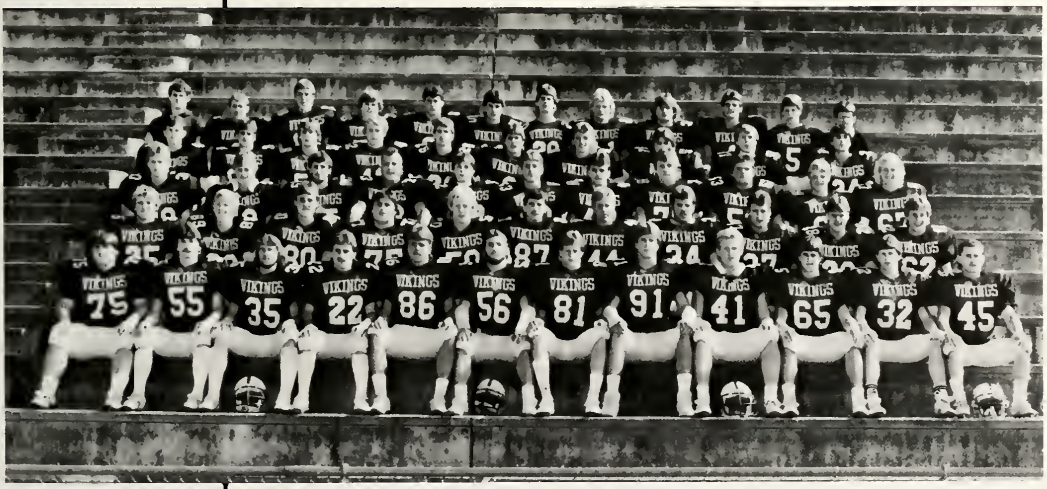
We all got a big surprise in football season when the Ripley Vikings defeated the Ravenswood Red Devils and became **Morgantown Bound.** The playoff birth for the Vikings seemed to come from nowhere.

After starting the season with a 1-2 record the Vikes were able to regroup and win the next seven games. These wins earned the Vikes a Pac-8 Championship. The Vikes were not finished surprising the fans. They not only received the first ever playoff birth in our history, and Pac-8 champs, but they captured another win against the Martinsburg Bulldogs in the first round of the state playoffs. Although Brooke ruined our chances to advance to the finals, the Vikes held their head high. After they had finished in the "Final Four".

The community showed its support with signs, decorations, parades, receptions and pep rallies. The mayor showed his support by giving Coach Marino a key to the City of Ripley.

There were six players from the Viking team who received the All Pac Conference Team. They were Matt Smittle, Mike Duke, Jason Jones, Rod Lanham, Mark Johnson, and Mark Chapman. Special Honorable Mention went to Danny Fox, and the two players receiving honorable mention were Packy Carte, and Scott Ramsey.

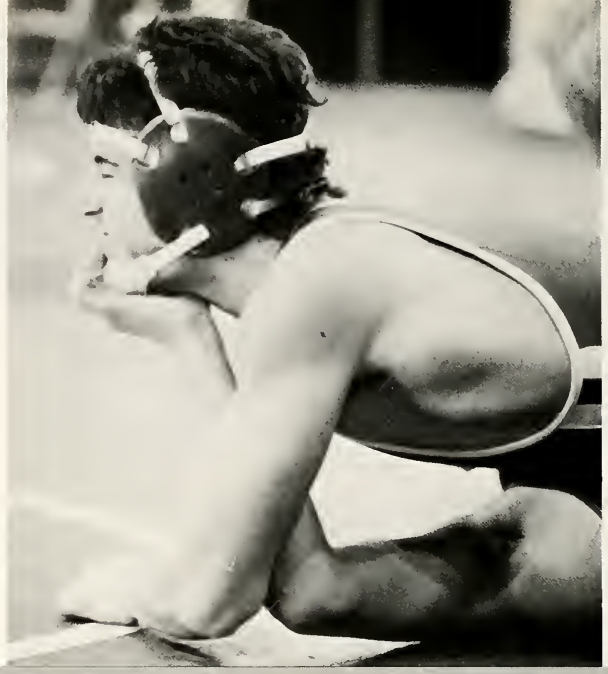
Mark Johnson broke the state record for the number of field goals kicked in a single year. He also tied the record for the number of field goals kicked in a school career.



Row 1 Matt Moore, David Mullins, Troy Welling, Shane Wolfe, Todd Kerns, Mike Duke, Bryan Wilson, Jason Jones, Matt Smittle, Dwayne Hicks, Packy Carte, Scott Ramsey.
Row 2 Paul Blankenship, Mike Merritt, Jim Sayre, Tom Bryant, Randy Casto, Ron Bailey, Rod Randolph, Daniel Fox, Rick Riddle, Kevin Hall, Scott Cotrill.
Row 3 David Nutter, Todd Jones, Greg Phillips, Mark Chapman, Scott Sheets, Chris Wayne, Mark Skeen, Danny Parker, James Bush, Shawn Carson, Ricky Garnes.
Row 4 Leslie Payton, Albert Flick, Steve Kerns, Shawn Bush, Nathen Nelson, Eric Hershman, Derek Stewart, Scott Kay, Steve Cole, Jackie Jarrett.
Row 5 Clayton Kerns, Scott George, Craig Morton, Tommy Randolph, Mike Stanley, Johnny Manns, Russel Randolph, John Moore, Paul Barnette, Rod Lanham, Mark Johnson, Texal Ramsey.

VIKES IN Wrestling

3rd in Jackson Co. Invit.
6th in LKC
5th in PAC-8
1st in HUPCO Tourn.



Junior Jim Paxton keeps his head up to win one of his many wrestling matches. One of the future leaders of the team, he is getting much practice behind him.

Row 1: Donnetta Parsons, Teresa Wayne, Alisha Wade, Mika Keller, Staci Crawford, Shannon Hersman, Patti Booher, Carrie Clendenin, Tabby Hill. Row 2: Tray Elswick, David Williams, Dave Cavaliere, Todd Hill, Kevin Booher, Jeff Ray, Mark Cavaliere, Pete Daniel, Michael Hodges. Row 3: Coach Frank Hughes, John Lucas, Donnie Kerns, Dale Ingram, Eric Hersman, Mike Duke, Dwayne Hicks, Tom Bryant, Jim Paxton, Ronnie Ratliff, Paul Blankenship, Dickie Shouldis, Bryan Philyaw, Coach Steve Buffington.

Trying to turn his opponent on his back, Senior Mike Duke puts on his arm bar move. With only two Seniors this year, Mike was one of the Co-Captains.

At the Jackson Co. Invitational Tournament, Dale Ingram is shown attempting to shoot a half nelson to win the match against his opponent.

Pin to Win
Vikes take eight to states.

Mike Duke, co-captain, placed sixth in the state wrestling tournament at Wheeling.

Dwayne Hicks, also a Senior and co-captain, also placed sixth in the state tournament at Wheeling.

The Viking wrestling team showed great team spirit this year. Although their record was not as impressive as it has been in the past years, the team performed well together. They finished third in the Jackson County Invitational Tournament, sixth in the Little Kanawha Conference, and fifth in the PAC-8. The big win for the team was capturing first place in the AAA division at the giant HUPCO Tournament held at Huntington. Teams from 28 schools competed at this tournament. Leadership was provided by Mike Duke and Dwayne Hicks, both seniors who have had outstanding Careers during their four years at RHS. They both placed sixth in the state tournament. Ronnie Ratliff, a sophomore, also placed sixth in the states.

History Making Season

Angela Boron

Cindy Bonham

The Ripley Girls Volleyball team had a history-making season. The girls ended the season with a 10-11 record. This is the most wins a girls volleyball team has ever won under Coach Tess Gump.

Volleyball is a sport that has grown in population since it first began. Not only are there a lot more girls becoming interested in the sport, but the number of spectators is also growing. This is the ideal girls sport, one that will continue to grow over the next few years.

One member of the 1987 team, Cindy Bonham, was selected for all-tournament team during sectional play.

The Volleyball team will be losing many of its star players but Coach Gump remains confident about next year's team.

Teresa Wolfe is in an unusual position as she attempts to hit the ball over the net. Cindy Bonham and Lori Judge are ready to give Teresa any help she may need.

Kelli Ferguson

Kelli Ferguson attempts to set up Lori Judge who is responsible for getting the ball over the net. Teammate Cindy Bonham (17) looks on for moral support.

VIKES in Volleyball

RHS
W S. Charleston
L B'ville
W St. Joes'
W Spencer
L Parkersburg
W Ravenswood
W Hurricane
L Milton
L Hunt. East
L P'burg Catholic
L Wirt
L P'burg
W Spencer
L Huntington

Lori Judge

Cindy Bonham sets Kelli Ferguson up to serve the ball over the net.

Lisa Phillips

Michelle Pursley

Row 1: Tonya Price, Kelly Rymer, Aly Goodwin, Amber Sanney, Michelle Skeen, Dawn Randolph, Francis Kulick
Row 2: Tess Gump, Lori Judge, Teresa Wolfe, Lisa Phillips, Kelli Ferguson, Angie Boron, Mitsi Ferguson, Beth Mills, Michelle Pursley, Cindy Bonham, Missy Robinson, Mrs. Barbara McGuire

Row 1 Ashli White, Jennifer Stover, Carrie Goodwin.
Row 2 Beth Boggess, Donnetta Parsons, Betty Lou Smith.
Row 3 Cindy Bonham, Tammy Barickman, Assit. Coach Terry Landis, Head Coach Ken Swisher, Melanie Pfost, Michelle Pursley.

VIKES IN Girls Basketball

60	Parkersburg S.	56
62	Pt. Pleasant	25
40	Milton	57
34	Parkersburg	56
61	Ravenswood	32
61	Huntington	47
47	Hurricane	55
55	Parkersburg	70
43	Pt. Pleasant	31
50	Parkersburg S.	62
63	Barboursville	44
39	Huntington E.	67
61	Milton	65
30	Hurricane	52
37	Huntington E.	57
44	Ravenswood	35
57	Mt. View	54
58	Logan	60
56	Huntington	52
50	Barboursville	48
63	Parkersburg	69

Experience

Leads the way

The Lady Vikes began their season with two wins. The first win was over top-ranked Parkersburg South, and the second win was to Pt. Pleasant. This was the year for our girls to shine, because of all the experience. They had three senior girls who were four-year letterman, and two seniors who had lettered three years. The senior girls definitely led the way for the Lady Vikes with teamwork, and consistency.

Although the girls had a disappointing 69-63 loss against Parkersburg High in the first round of the sectional tournament, they did finish the season with a final record of 10-11.

Tammy Barickman . . . a 4 year letterman, but due to an injured finger her senior year, Tammy received no state recognition.

Michelle Pursley shoots for two points at the Ripley High Gymnasium against Parkersburg South. The final score was Ripley 60, South 56.

Watching the hoopla, these Vike and Pirate basketball players scan the air to see where the ball will land.

Cindy Bonham . . . 3 year letterman, had her high point game against Barboursville. Cindy scored 14 points.

Donnetta Parsons . . . 3 year letterman, received state recognition when she was a senior, she was awarded Pac-8 Team.

Melanie Pfost . . . 4 year letterman had her game high against Parkersburg. She scored 18 points.

Michelle Pursley . . . 4 year letterman, as a senior she received All-State Honorable Mention. Both her junior and senior year she received Pac-8 team honors.

Seniors Kim Miller, Polla Parsons, Deidre Casto and Anita Wolfe pose for a picture for the '86-'87 Football Program. The program gives stats such as names, numbers and positions of the football players.

Row 1: Kit Kerns, Natalie Wolfe, Polla Parsons. Row 2: Leslie Miller, Deidre Casto, Kim Miller. Row 3 Becca Hunter, Anita Wolfe.

At the last game of the season, Leslie Miller is seen standing in an extension.

Ripley Varsity cheerleaders capture the title of "Best Cheerleading Squad" at the Keith Simmons Memorial Basketball Tourn. held in Ravenswood.

Leslie Miller, Kim Miller and Natalie Wolfe display the excitement shared by all Viking fans after the Ripley win over Ravenswood. This win not only meant the champions of the Pac-8 Tourn. for Ripley but the trip to the state playoffs.

One of the Homecoming Parade participants, the Varsity Cheerleaders, adorn Scott Buckner's convertible with blue and white.

They make the Spirit Stick

Seniors Polla Parsons and Anita Wolfe cheer the football team on during the 1986 Final Four Playoff game.

The eight member varsity cheerleading squad led the school in spirit. The squad cheered for boy's football and basketball games.

The cheerleaders attended a summer camp in Morehead, Kentucky for four days. At camp the girls learned many new cheers, sidelines and pom pon routines. Also during the summer the cheerleaders helped wash car windows at the North Ripley Exxon. At the North Ripley Exxon they introduced people to the live tiger named Lazar and also handed out balloons. Some of the cheerleaders even dressed up in the Exxon tiger costume. A couple other things the cheerleaders did during the summer were selling Cokes at the RHS Boosters stand on the 4th of July, and also rode in the parade. They also participated in the school's annual Junior Variety Show. They danced to the song, "Crush On You" by Janet Jackson. Also over Christmas break the cheerleaders were awarded a trophy for the most outstanding cheerleading squad at the Keith Simmons Memorial Tournament.

This year the cheerleaders put in extra efforts to make signs and other spirit provoking objects. The cheerleaders not only led school pep rallies, but also city pep rallies for the Morgantown Bound football team. Getting to cheer for the State playoffs and on Mountaineer Fiels was a Viking Cheerleaders dream come true.

VIKES IN Basketball

RHS		
49	Hunt. East	59
64	Milton	82
62	Pt. Pleasant	51
55	Ravenswood	72
50	South	51
68	Hurricane	72
61	Huntington	81
56	Parkersburg	57
64	Ravenswood	68
77	Spencer	54
71	B'ville	78
80	Hurricane	70
61	Milton	73
64	Spencer	62
63	South	60
57	Ravenswood	49
64	Hunt. East	87
62	B'ville	69
59	Parkersburg	64
84	Pt. Pleasant	82
70	Huntington	91
62	Parkersburg	91

Rod Lanham was one of the senior returning athletes for the Vikings this year. He was basketball player of the year in the 1985-86 season. During Rod's senior year he received all conference player, and Honorable Mention All-State, and was second in scoring on the 86-87 team.

Deane Clinton was named to the Keith Simmons all-tournament team in December, and was named to the All Conference in March. The awards did not stop there, he also was given Honorable Mention All-State.

Craig Burchette was another senior athlete on the Viking team. Craig was the hustler of the team, every one seemed to look at him for energy and pep. He was a great leader, and a reliable sixth man for the Viking team.

Row 1: Rod Lanham, Craig Burchette, Rodd Randolph, David Casto Row 2: Coach Dan Barnette, Assistant Coach Craig Harmon, Assistant Coach Steve Hunt, Jim Sayre, Johnny Manns, Deane Clinton, Micheal Van Leeuwen, Managers, Richie Wallen and James Runion.

Robbie Taylor was another letterman returning to the Viking line-up. Robby was very consistent in the rebounding area for the Vikes. He led the team in rebounds. Last year Robbie was named to the Keith Simmons All-Tournament Team.

On the rebound

but under control.

Deane Clinton the senior center for the basketball team out leaps his opponents at the start of the game.

Johnny Manns a junior starter for the basketball team, attempts to score a point by shooting a foul shot. Manns was the leading scorer for the Vikes.

The Ripley Boy's Basketball team got off to a slow start. The Vikes are coached by Dan Barnette and Craig Harmon is the assistant coach. After losing the first two games, the Vikes beat Pt. Pleasant. They went on to win seven more games. The biggest win of the season came with the victory over Ravenswood. Ripley was the underdog in the game, but with teamwork they were able to gain the victory.

The Vikes most controversial loss came when Ripley was defeated by Parkersburg South at South. Ripley was ahead 50 to 49 and a last second shot by South went in and the referee called the shot good. Whether it was a bad call or not it was a big let down for the Ripley Vikings.

The team hopes to continue in the area of improvements, and have at least an even win/loss season.

Robby Taylor uses his muscle power to score a point. At the time, Ripley was losing by five. Robby is a senior forward for the team.

Micheal Van Leeuwen is a foreign exchange student for the team this year. It was quite an experience for Micheal, and the students were thrilled to see him participating.

Row 1 Chad Ratliff, Kristin Harmon, Cindy Cushman, Myra Cutright, Teresa Wolfe, John Lucas. Row 2 Donny Kerns, Craig Burchett, Jim Paxton, Steve Beha, J.D. Koontz, Tony Rhodes, Jeff Ray, Eddie Comer, Benji Hunt.

Teresa Wolfe is showing her ability at running cross-country. She placed 55th in the state track meet.

Craig Burchett attempts to pass his opponent in a cross-country meet. Craig placed 35th in the state track meet.

Something New On the Green

VIKES In Cross Country

RHS
6th St Marys Inv.
5th South Charleston Inv.
7th River City Runners Inv.
3rd Huntington E. Inv.
6th George Washington Inv.
1st Ripley Inv.

Industrial Arts teacher, Tom Kruk took on a new adventure this past year. He became the coach of the first-ever Ripley High Cross-Country team.

The team finished the season with a 29-31 record. Though they had a losing season Teresa Wolfe and Craig Burchett both qualified for the state meet. Teresa finished 55th and Craig finished 35th. The coach and returning team members seem optimistic about the season this year.

Not only did we have "Something New" in Cross Country, but also in Golf. Mr. Fred Batten tried his hand as golf coach, making the change from Ripley Middle music teacher. Although the year was far from successful, with a record of 0-11, the team along with the coach seemed to enjoy it, and are optimistic about this year.

Practicing his golfing stance, Freshman Chip Parsons takes his newfound sport seriously.

VIKES In Golf

RHS
L Parkersburg
L Ripley Quad.
L Parkersburg So.
L Williamstown
L Ripley Tri.
L Williamstown
L PAC 8
L Parkersburg
L Spencer
L L.K.C.
L Regional

Row 1: Bobby Starcher, Christy Webb, Chip Parsons, Shane Parsons, Jennie Stanley, James Dixon.

Row 2: Charlie Fox, David Marty, Coach Fred Batten, Jim Perry.

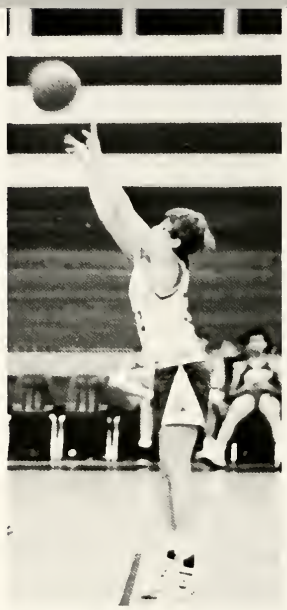
GOSH Its Frosh

Freshman football had a disappointing season. They were unable to get a mark in the win column. The team lost every game. Not only was this a time of new beginnings for the freshman athletes, Coach Dave Moore also had a new beginning in coaching at Ripley High in the 1986-1987 school year. Granted it was not the best start, the athletes and coaches had a great time, and were able to teach each other a few things.

Freshman basketball team had a record of six wins and ten losses. Even though the losses out weighed the wins, Aaron Stevenson managed to capture the all-tournament team title.

The Freshman Cheerleading squad had ten members this year. The cheerleaders went to cheerleading camp last summer at Morehead Kentucky where they won awards, ribbons, and spirit sticks.

The Freshman class had a good year in sports, and the coaches were very optimistic of their J.V. positions for next year.



Ryan Garnes attempts to make a foul shot to bring the Vikes to a win over Point Pleasant.

Row 1 — Traci Ranson Row 2 — Erica Britton, Wendy Fredricks, Charmin Walker, Carrie Westfall, Kim Hall, Jami Durst. Row 3 — Christy Cecil, Samantha Pfost, Merci Giebell.

VIKES in Freshman Sports

Basketball

RHS	
L	Wahama
W	Gilmer Co.
W	Spencer
L	Winfield
L	Ravenswood
L	Poca
W	Wahama
L	Winfield
W	Spencer
L	Pt. Pleasant
L	Pt Pleasant

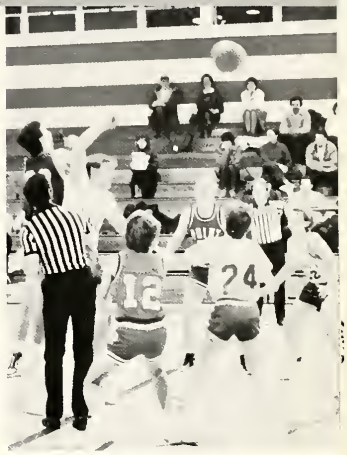
4th Pt. Pleasant Tourn.
4th L.K.C. Tourn.

Football

RHS	
L	Ravenswood
L	Pt. Pleasant
L	Winfield
L	Poca
L	Spencer

Row 1 — James Kay, Victor Boyce, John Clendenin, Ronnie Anderson, Chris Hoskins, Mike Shockey, Tray Elswick. Row 2 — Tobey Scholl, Joe Hudson, Andy Crowder, Shawn Siers, Cary Randolph, Ryan Garnes, Shawn Stone. Row 3 — Chaed King, Curtis Rhodes, J.R. Stover, James Parsons, Kevin Booher, Chuck Garnes, Jason Brown.

The Point Pleasant center jumps the Ripley center but Ripley is able to gain control of the ball.



The Freshman cheerleading squad does one of their many floor cheers at the Point Pleasant basketball game.

The Freshman Football team's offense attempts to score a touchdown during one of their home games.

Row 1 — Dorsel Adkins, Benji Hunt, Ryan Garnes, Chip Parsons, Glen Baker, Tobey Scholl, Row 2 — Eric Arthur, Curtis Rhodes, Aaron Stevenson, Tod Fisher, Jim Perry, Chuck Garnes, Shawn Stone

Party Hardy

It's the Junior Varsity

The J.V. teams used this year to prepare themselves for next year on the varsity level. The J.V. teams have their work cut out for them in order to follow the varsity team's footsteps from this year.

The junior varsity cheerleaders made it into the finals at the University of Kentucky Cheerleading Camp. The squad added a lot of excitement to the J.V. games.

The J.V. football team had a great year. They never lost a game the entire year. If they continue to play that well RHS will be Morgantown Bound for a second year in a row.

The J.V. baseball was no different than the other Junior Varsity teams. The baseball team did a great job of keeping the excellent J.V. name alive.

Basketball was a definite bright spot both in girls and boys sports. They worked hard and were justly rewarded.

The success of the Junior Varsity teams left the coaches very excited for this year. Hopefully their success will continue this year.

VIKES

in

Junior Varsity Sports

Football

RHS	
W	Sissonville
W	Parkersburg
W	Parkersburg South
W	Hurricane
W	Spencer
W	Pt. Pleasant

Boys Basketball

RHS	
W	Parkersburg S.
L	Ravenswood
L	Spencer
L	Parkersburg
L	Pt Pleasant
L	Huntington
L	Hurricane (2)
L	Hunt. East (2)
L	Barboursville (2)
L	Milton (2)

Row 1: Patty Booher. Row 2: Carrie Clendenin, Stephanie Moore, Lori Goff. Row 3: De De Minger, Rhonda Smith. Row 4: Donnell Henthorne

Row 1: Greg Thompson, Michael Randolph, David Marty, Jason Philyaw. Row 2: Dan Barnette, Steve Hunt, Leslie Payton, Jeff Blackburn, Todd Harris, Craig Garmon

VIKES

in

Junior
Varsity
Sports

Girls Basketball

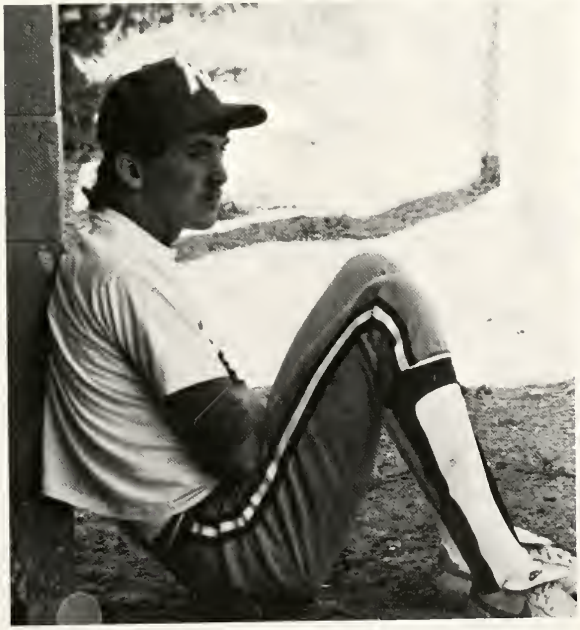
RHS	
L	Parkersburg S.
W	Parkersburg
L	Ravenswood
W	Parkersburg
L	Parkersburg S.
L	Ravenswood
W	Walton (2)

Baseball

RHS	
W	Ravenswood
W	Pt. Pleasant
W	Parkersburg S.
L	Parkersburg S.
L	Pt. Pleasant
L	Marietta (2)
L	Huntington E.
W	Parkersburg

Row 1: Kelly Rymer, Lisa West, Lois Easter, Tonia Price, Georgie Groves, Row 2: Coach Landis, Marcy Hamilton, Gwen Thomas, Jamie Gillespie, Coach Swisher

Carrie Clendenin and De De Minger are caught by surprise in the Homecoming Parade. The girls showed their spirit by decorating the car and cheering through the parade.



Johnny Manns waits patiently in the dugout for his turn to bat.

Foreign exchange student Antje Baier, struggles to reach the finish line in the Jackson County Invitationals.

Senior Dwayne Hicks winds up to throw the discus.

VIKES IN TRACK

BOYS

RHS
3rd Belpre, Ravenswood
2nd Williamstown, Spencer
2nd Spencer Inv.
6th St. Albans Inv.
9th Hurricane Inv.
3rd Jackson Co. Inv.
6th PAC — 8
2nd Spencer, Ravenswood
3rd LKC
3rd Sectionals

GIRLS

RHS
2nd — Belpre, Ravenswood
2nd — Williamstown, Spencer
4th Spencer Inv.
10th — St. Albans Inv.
8th — Hurricane Inv.
6th — Jackson Co. Inv.
6th — PAC — 8
2nd — Spencer
6th — LKC

Front row: Mandy Fisher, Jami Gillispie, Teresa Wolfe. Row 2: Tammy Burkholder, Donnetta Parsons, Renee Salmons, Kristin Harmon.

Front row: Tony Rhodes, Dwayne Hicks, Brian Iezzi, Mike Duke, Jeff Smith, Jackie Jarrett. Row 2: Jim Price, Bryan Wilson, Jason Jones, Matt Smittle, Coach Deem.

Starting On the Right Track

Mike Gillispie appears to be winded as he completes his leg of a relay.

The boys and girls track team had a very successful year. With the all-weather track, there were many records broken. Breaking records were: Bryan Wilson in the 400 meter run with a time of 51.2, Tony Rhodes in the 3200 meter run a time of 10:16 and the 1600 meter run with a time of 4:43. The 400 meter relay consisting of Matt Smittle, Brian Iezzi, Mike Duke, and Bryan Wilson broke the record for a new time of 46.28. The 800 meter relay team consisting of Matt Smittle, Brian Iezzi, Jim Price and Bryan Wilson broke the record with a time of 1:35.03. Another relay team, the 4x400 meter relay, Tony Rhodes, Brian Iezzi, Jim Price, and Bryan Wilson, took the new school record with a time of 3:37. Donnetta Parsons broke records in the 400 meter run with a time of 61.1. Also, she tied the record in the 100 meter dash with a time of 13.2. Another track member, Teresa Wolfe broke the record in the 300 hurdles with a time of 51.4. Both the boys and girls track did very well. The girls track team only lost one senior member, but the boys lost six seniors.

While on the boys team the success was split up among many of the guys. Teresa Wolfe and Donnetta Parsons were the ones who led the Lady Vikes. Beside these two leading girls, the team was pretty inexperienced, but new spirit and talent was shown.

In the state track meet, Bryan Wilson placed 5th in the 400 meter run for the boys, and in the girls meet, Donnetta Parsons, also placed 5th in the 400 meter run.

Row 1: Mona Reed, Georgie Grove, Mary Jane Smith, Missy Robinson, Lori Judge, Tracy Ranson, Kelly Rymer.

Row 2: Michelle Balliet, Beth Boggess, Cindy Bonham, Lisa West, Ashli White, Kelli Glenn, Ginger Kessel, Tybetha Cook.

Row 3: Coach Tess Gump, Michelle Pursley, Trina Brannon, Beth Winter, Jennifer Stover, and Coach Judy Lieving.

The Lady Vikes celebrate in the dugout after taking the lead against the Spencer Yellow Jackets.

Outstanding softball player of the year Cindy Bonham returns the ball to the pitcher during a game against Wahama.

VIKES

IN

Softball

RHS
W Herbert Hoover
W Pksbg. Cath.
W Belpre
L St. Marys
W Spencer
W St. Marys
W Pksb. South
L Milton
W Herbert Hoover
W Ritchie Co.
W Ravenswood
W Wahama
W Spencer
L Pksbg. Cath.
W Parkersburg
W Pksbg. Cath.
W Nicholas Co.
W Ravenswood
W Spencer
W St. Marys

Crowd Pleasers

One of the Final Four

The Lady Vikings had a remarkable season this year. They came closer to a state tournament win than any other athletic team in the history of RHS. Coached by Tess Gump, and Judy Lieving, Ripley defeated Shady Springs and Berkely Springs each by one run. The following day, they played Milton. Because it was a double elimination tournament and Milton already had one loss, Milton had to defeat Ripley twice to win. They did just that — they defeated Ripley 8-1 and 6-5. It was a disappointment to the team, but to the team, their performance was nothing to be ashamed of. Lori Judge, Missy Robinson, and Ashli White were named to the All-tournament team.

Beth Boggess, the junior shortstop was named to PAC-8 team. Cindy Bonham, who received a scholarship to the University of North Carolina, was named the most outstanding player on the team.

Jennifer Stover is playing first base against the Milton Bulldogs. She was able to play several positions throughout the season.

Beth Boggess, the shortstop for the Lady Vikes, takes an easy stride to first base after being put out, but sacrificing a run in the process.

Boys of Spring
Lets play ball

The 1987 Varsity Baseball team finished the season with a very pleasing year. The team was exciting to watch and if they could not grab the lead in the beginning of the game they usually managed to come from behind to catch up.

Todd Jones, the catcher of the team managed to keep the group going through his moves and calls from behind the plate while the team in the field pulled together as one. Todd was named the Most Valuable Player.

The team consistently had trouble with the Parkersburg South team running from early in the season clear to the end to destroy Ripley's chances to go to the State tournament.

After the tragic accident that took the life of baseball player Joe Green, the team members had to deal with the pschycological scars it left. The team members got together and wore black arm bands with the number 14 imprinted. This was their memorial to him.

Jason Philyaw also added something to the games. With electronic devices he produced a variety of sound effects to symbolize various plays and player goof-ups.

Over all the team had a good year with a lot of memories to recall about the Boys of Spring.

Playing the infield, Jim Sayre keeps a steady eye on the other teams activities.

Coming to the rescue, Danny Fox hustles up to help Paul Blankenship get the ball to the pitcher. Teamwork like this played a big part in Ripley's favor.

Pitcher Eric Hersman winds up to drive the ball into home plate. Eric shared the pitching position with Rod Lanham.

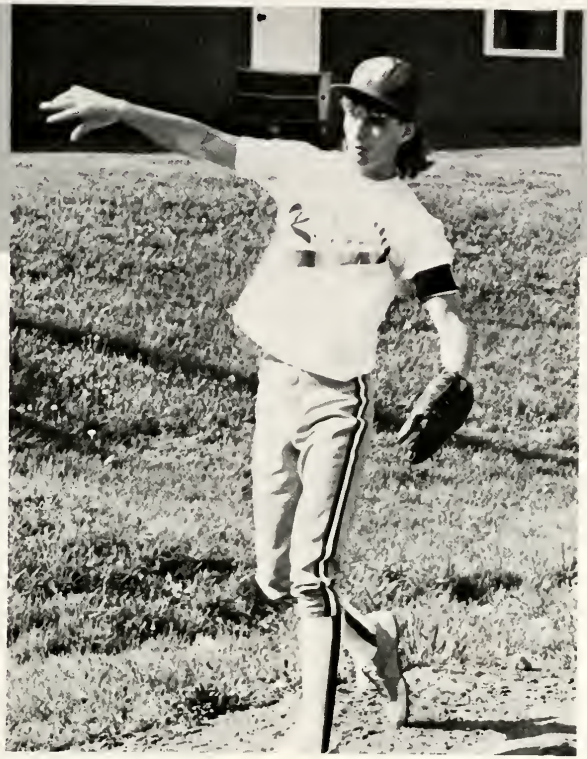
VIKES

in

Baseball

RHS
W St. Albans
W Stonewall
L Ravenswood
W Wahama
L Lincoln
W Lincoln
L P. South
W Hurricane
W Sissonville
W Sissonville
L P. South
L H. East
W P. Catholic
W Wahama
L Milton
L Gallipolis
L Pt. Pleasant
L Parkersburg
W Williamstown
L Barboursville

Throwing a few warm-up rounds, Junior Pat Hudnall keeps it loose and light before a game.



Catcher Todd Jones is prepared to tag during a home game against Sissonville.

Clearing first base, Scott Sheets receives extra help from Coach Reed in their game against Sissonville.

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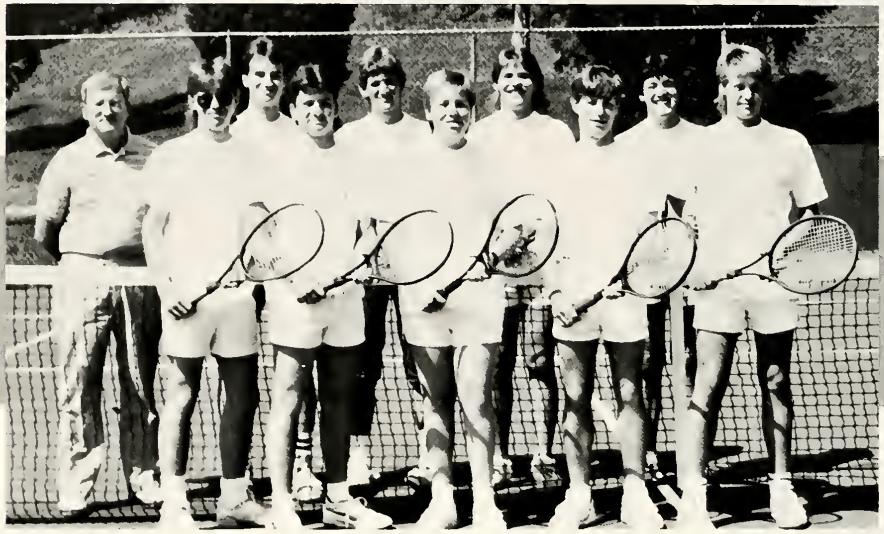
Row 1: Jack Bailey, Greg Rowe, B.J. Whitman, Chaed Smith, Matt Wells. Row 2: Coach Dave Keefer, Michael van Leeuwen, Todd Scholl, Harold Dorton, Booth Goodwin.



Girls

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Row 1: Mika Keller, Polla Parsons, [redacted] Chandra McCoy, Vania Ball. Row 2: Coach Dave Keefer, Rhonda Randolph, Carrie Goodwin, Becca Hunter, Katherine Seymore.

The teams discuss individual strategies before they take their turns on the court.

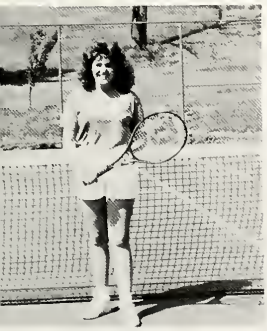
Love In the Afternoon

Harold Dorton
3rd Seed

The girls tennis team used this year as a regrouping and learning time. They were unable to win a match this year. Unlike the girls, the boys team was able to put a mark in the win column.

The tennis team received new shirts last year for the Pac-8 play.

Carrie Goodwin, the most outstanding girls player, was the first seed for the 86-87 year, while Michael Van Leeuwen, the most outstanding boys player was also first seed. Greg Rowe managed to go farther than any other of his teammates in the final tournament play.



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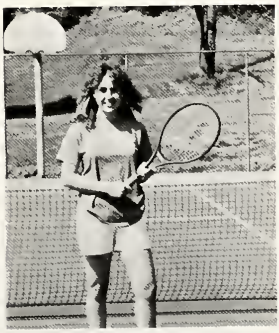
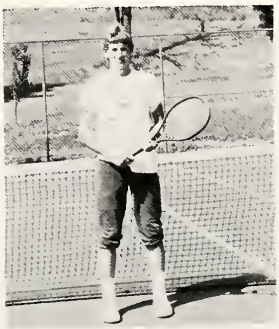
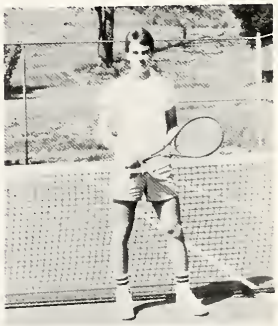


Rhonda Randolph
2nd Seed



Todd Scholl
2nd Seed

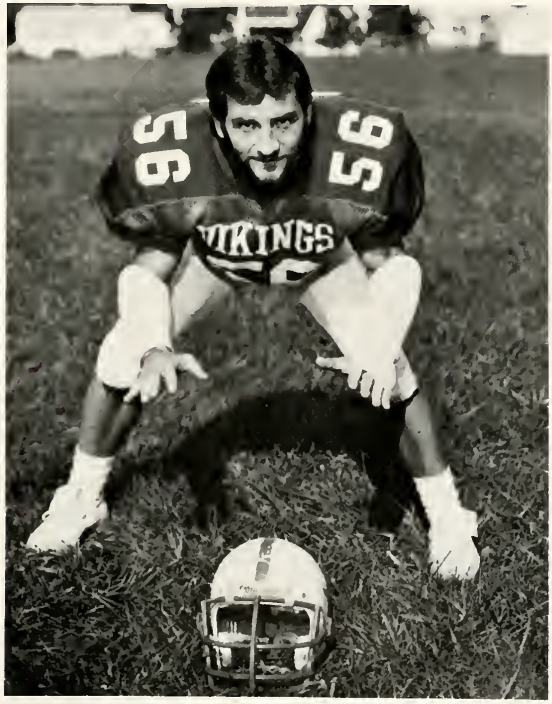


Michael Van Leeuwen
1st Seed

Athlete of the Year

The 1987 Athlete of the Year was Mike Duke. He was a participant in three sports during his years at RHS. He was member of the Wrestling, Football and Track teams. He was a four year letterman in Track, a three year letterman in Football and a three year letterman in Wrestling. He received state recognition inWrestling his Senior year by placing sixth at the States. He was also a member of the State playoff football team and an All-Conference member his Senior year.

We congratulate Mike Duke for all his accomplishments.



Compliments of
Dr. Cindy Reese

After capturing the "Old Oaken Bucket" from Point Pleasant, the Vikes knew they were on the road to victory.

The frosh basketball players set up their defense during one of their home games.

Caught between two walls, Dean Clinton looks around for an open player. Dean was one of the four seniors on the team.

Compliments of
Jane & Karen's Beauty Salon

Youth for Easter Seals member Dawn Reece is one of the main attractions at the annual Christmas Party held at the Ripley Elementary School. In Care Bear attire Dawn dances with one of the party-goers.

A casual yet truly original pose is demonstrated by the Bow & Arrow Club. As a revolt against the mundane club poses each year this organization thought and acted creatively.

Clubs

"Hey, today is the second Wednesday of the month." "So what?" "Today is CLUBS!" "Oh Yeah!"

Clubs — the thought of clubs did not always bring happiness to the minds of RHS students but it did bring variety. Clubs meant fun times with friends that were not usually in your classes and different activities in which to participate. Clubs were an opportunity to expand the knowledge in some subjects and connect it with fun. Clubs was a different way for teachers and students to get to know each other and enjoy each others company. The second Wednesday of each month brought shortened classes to allow time for Club period. This along with a change in the daily routine of people made way for enthusiasm at the announcement of Club day. Clubs — the key word for having additional fun in school. Club fun seemed to arrive . . .

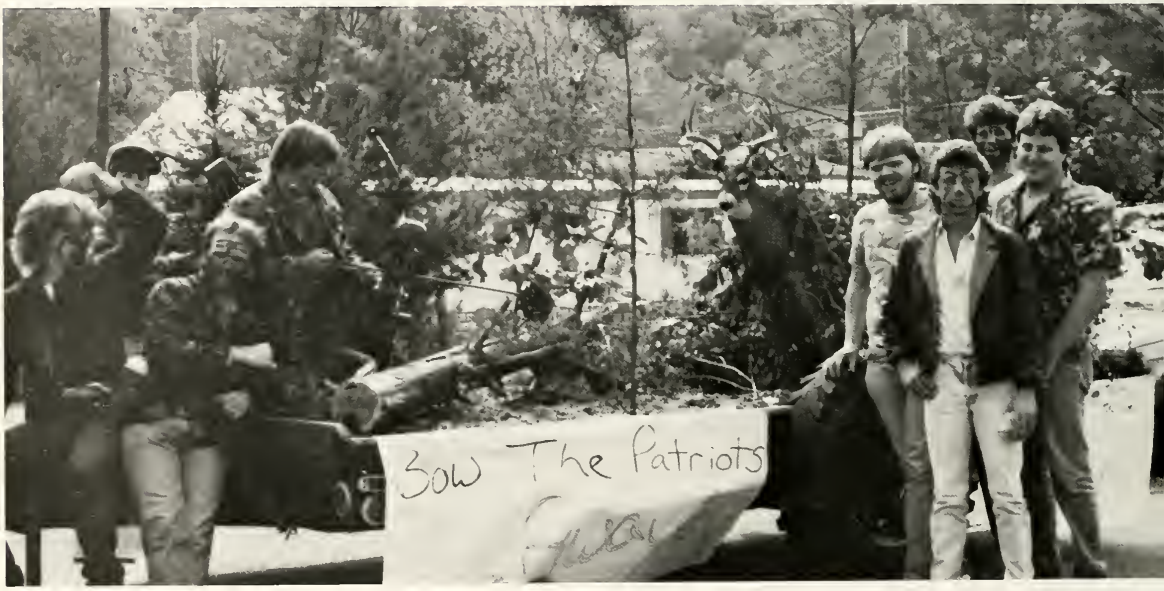
OUT OF THE BLUE.

One of the most popular Clubs for Juniors and Seniors, the Volleyball Club has a name of one of the most fun clubs around. Monthly meetings included stiff volleyball competition.

A member of the Chess Club, Gary Frontz contemplates the next move of the game. The male dominated Chess Club is one of the "quietest" clubs of RHS.

Thespian members place their bets that the Vikings will win the Homecoming game tonight.

Bow the Patriots away was the theme of the Bow and Arrow club. The theme revved up the Vikings before the game with the Patriots.



Thespians — Front row: Harold Dorton, Alex Bain, Laura Brewer, Tim Parsons, Craig Burchett, Mike Kelley, Rhonda Randolph, Booth Goodwin, Steve Beha, Bill Deese, Angie Boron, and Mary Quinn. Second row: Grant Edwards, Tammy Earle, Carrie Gunther, Missy Pettit, Doug Dingess, Vania Ball, Joe Holley, Kristin Skeen, Jacqui Crum, Tara Stone, Tauni Strigle, Katie Coomes. Third row: Missy McVey, Crystal Hanlon, Michelle Koontz, Kelli Glenn, Mitsy Ferguson, Donnell Henthorne, Jon Fowler, Saundra McCoy, Jenny Matheny, Felicity Jones, and Pam Milam. Fourth row: Georgeanna Groves, Lynn Goodson, April Fox, Sonya Barnette, Regina Abshire, DeeDee Anthony, Diana Harpold, Lisa Phillips, Myra Cutright, Cindy Cushman, and Kim Miller. Fifth row: Stacey McDaniel, Lisa Lawhon, Amy Casto, Trina Brannon, Amy Parrish, Debbie Lin, Carrie Goodwin, Trudi Wright, Missy Smith, Connie Patterson, Sonya Painter, Tonya Adams. Back row: Scott Ranson, Teresa Wolfe, John Ryder.

Playing For Success

The Thespian and Drama club was very active in the past year. One of the things that they did was to present the play "Oklahoma." The clubs also performed the play at the Cultural Center for the public and two other junior high schools.

The Chess club was interesting to some students, because it gave them a chance to sharpen up their chess skills and strategies. They built a float for the Homecoming Parade, but unfortunately it did not place.

The Bow and Arrow club talked about their hunting experiences, some of which are funny and some of which were sincere. During club meetings members watched movies about bow hunting and discussed them.

The Thespians confer with each other about the upcoming events of the evening, while riding on the Homecoming float.

After the game, these students contemplate who will win the upcoming game.

Bow & Arrow Club — Front row: Rod Lanham, Mark Chapman, Jason Anderson, Mark Casto, Tom Brown, Terry Casto, Chris Cambell. Second row: David Nutter, Chris Shamblin, Jay Mullins, Phillip Milam, Paul Lucas, and Steve Buffington. Back row: Greg Phillips, Steve Wolfe, Howie Casto, Tony Barnette, Aaron Matheny, Joe Scarbough, and Aaron Myers.

Chess Club — Front row: Randy Westmoreland, Dorsel Adkins, Jason Rhodes, Jan Bailey. Second row: Gary Frontz, Mathew Taylor, John Newlan, and Steve Ray.

Striving to get ahead

The baseball club was one of the most popular clubs. For the sixth year in a row, it held its annual baseball card show. During the year the club had many different contests.

The members of the club had to elect its officers. The President, Duke Gandee; Vice President, Bradley Goodwin; Secretary, Diana Hatcher; and treasurer, Renee Casto. The sponsors of the club were Mr. Keefer, Coach Deem, and Coach Swisher.

The Art Club was formed to give students with an interest in art and crafts, an opportunity to work during school hours. Each month at the meeting one member teaches a craft technique to the others, and they each complete a project. During the year they have worked with such projects as Origami paper folding, Christmas decorations, and clay.

The Science Club had a lot of different activities this year. During club period they did computer match-up and organized and set up the science fair. They also took a trip to the state science fair and a trip to Sea World.

The Art Club works hard to finish their float for the upcoming Homecoming parade.

Mr. Keefer explains the fundamentals of baseball to the members of the club.

Science Club- Row 1: Richard Southall, Jason Miller, Amy Grady. Row 2: Christopher Poe, Ben Moore.

Baseball Club- Row 1: Teresa Rhodes, Diana Hatcher, Renee Casto, Tara French, Stephanie Easter, Pam Raines, and Sherry Lupardus. Row 2: Todd Jones, Natalie Wolfe, David Casto, Chris Wayne, Dustin Easter, Greg Phillips, and Mike Clendenin. Row 3: Mike Merritt, Mark Skeen, Rod Lanham, Shane Wolfe, Duke Gandee, and Todd Mullins. Row 4: Chris Hull, Matt Moore, Bobby Hamon, Eddie White, Chuck Landis, and Mark Chapman.

Renee Casto and Mr. Swisher watch intently over the baseball club.

Mandy Osborne and Kathy Martin sit in anticipation for the float competition.

Baseball Club- Row 1: De De Minger, Stephanie Moore, Jennifer Stover, Michelle Deem, Rhonda Smith, Missy Mullios, Michelle Raines, Tracey Ranson, Greg Rowe, Ryan Garnes, Aaron Cutright. Row 2: Michael Randolph, Michael Hodges, Bengie Hunt, Brent Keefer, Shane Parsons, Shawn Carson, Eddie Comer, Scott Cottril, Lewis Jones, Jimmy Perry, Shawo Siers. Row 3: Rick Riddle, Gary McCue, David Waybright Michael Varney, Kenny Cook, Scott Slaughter, Jay Casto, Chip Parsons, James Runion, Bryan Randolph, Victor Boyce. Row 4: Ganett Monk, Donnie Elmore, John Comer, Jon Casto, Kevin Casto, Jay Freshwater, Chris Koontz, Greg Thompson, Jason Philyaw, David Marty. Row 5: Mark Monroe, Jeff Merritt, Scott Hutton, Bobby Casto, Chuck Garnes, Todd Harris, Aaron Stephenson, Mike Shockey, Gary Ashby, Leslie Payton.

Art Club- Row 1: Tereasa Staats, Betty Lou Smith, Mary Jane Smith, Regina Crockett. Row 2: Buffy Morrison, Vicky Carmichael, Monica Braley, Racheal Bourgeouis.

Learning the basics about a 35mm, Freshman Greg Phillips enjoys the monthly meetings of the Photography Club.

FHA members Cathy Welling, Pam Moffatt and Nita Rhodes have a little chat during the FHA convention at Cedar Lakes.

An original float, the FBLA girls show their Homecoming spirit with the casino scene.

Photography Club- Row 1: Christy Morrison, Clifton Crow, Janice Wyatt. Row 2: Bill Peasley, Katrina Simons.

FHA- Row 1: Daphne Davis, Karen Stutler, Angie Painter, Kathy Crawford, Barbara Baldwin, Cindy Bess. Row 2: Tracey Davis, Jill Canter, Cathy Casto, Tina Stutler, Missy Tackett. Row 3: Rachel Chapman, Michelle Emerson, John Moore, Rod Lanham, Matt Smittle, Mark Chapman.

State winner

Future is looking bright.

This year was an exciting year for the members of FHA, FBLA, Explorers, and the Photography clubs. The FHA state convention was held at Cedar Lakes, during which Nita Rhodes was elected State Secretary for the 1987-88 year. FHA also sponsored the Sweetheart Ball in February.

Assisting Mr. Wiseman with his boutonniere, Annette Kerns is one of the co-op students attending their annual banquet.

FBLA participated in many activities including Ripley area Chamber of Commerce activities, special projects for the American Cancer Society, host for the State FBLA Conference, and participation in Small Business Seminars at Cedar Lakes.

Explorers was a branch of the Boy Scouts of America. They held activities such as rappelling off of rock cliffs, canoeing, and fishing trips.

Photography was a new club created especially for people who wanted to learn the technique for taking good pictures and developing film.

These four clubs offered a variety of activities that were essential to the life line of Ripley High.

Evening work is the fun way to complete the FHA Homecoming float. Pam Moffatt and Mrs. Hamilton busily complete the finishing touches on their float.

FBLA- Row 1: Susan Williams, Deidre Casto, Anita Wolfe, Mary Ann Wells, Becca Brewer, Belinda Hartley, Melissa Westfall. Row 2: Mrs. Hutchison, Rod Lanham, Scott Ramsey, Pat Stanley, Sharon Cummings, Sherry Bush, Mr. Harper. Row 3: Brandy Startcher, Kelly Legg, Annette Kerns, Angie Davis, Kathy Hinzman, Teresa Comer, Regina Fisher.

Explorer Club- Row 1: John Standish, Diana Harpold, Becky Jennings, Joey Milhoan, James McClain. Row 2: Kevin Boyce, Walt Williams, Jeff Smith, Greg McDonald.

Before the parade started Jason Jones, Bryan Wilson, John Moore, Donnetta Parsons, and Carrie Goodwin stood around and talked about the parade.

TRYING

to Help

Student Council had a very successful year. The officers and the members planned many activities for the Student Body. During the year they planned the Homecoming activities — the dance, parade, and the halftime of the homecoming game. On March 26, 1987 they held the annual Bloodmobile. Over 80 students, faculty, and people of the community gave blood. Throughout the year, members visited assigned homerooms and collected money for "To Make A Child's Wish Come True", Muscular Dystrophy, and Diabetes Foundation.

During all the sporting events, Student Council held many dances after games. Each month they donated a book to the school library.

After one or two of the football games Student Council cleaned the bleachers. During Basketball season members helped the people attending the games park their cars.

Every year the school holds Student Exchange Day where other students come to visit our school. Other schools sending students to visit our school were East Bank, Wirt, Gilmer Co., Ravenswood, Oak Hill, Hurricane, Richwood, Wayne Co., and Parkersburg South. During the morning members did the announcements in both buildings.

At the end of each year, Student Council gives the school a gift. For the past two years, they have bought the school a VCR and a television.

Freshman — Front Row: Tracy Ranson, Wendy Fredrick, Aly Goodwin, and Erica Britton Row 2: Benjie Hunt, Brent Keefer, Ben Smolder, and Kathryn Seymoure.

Sophomores — Front Row: Debbie Lin, Ashil White, Amy Parrish, and Donnell Henthorne Row 2: David Marty, Carrie Goodwin, Trina Brannon, and Michael Randolph

During the Toys for Tots Volleyball game, Bryan Wilson seems to find time to get his picture taken.

Seen here are the toys that Student Council collected for the Toys for Tots Volleyball game.

Juniors — Front Row — Beth Boggess, Becca Hunter, Renee Casto, and Mika Keller. Row 2: David Anderson, Beth Mills, Lori Goodson, and Johnny Manns

Seniors — Front Row: Jason Jones, Mike Duke, Donnetta Parsons, Deidre Casto, and Rhonda Randolph

The club to be in is the Volleyball Club. Reserved strictly for Juniors and Seniors, the teams are shown here in their monthly competitions.

Members of the Volleyball Club are always "out to kill" during the team playoffs. Here members fight to spike the ball.

Political Club: Dan Barnette, Regina Cogar, Larry Laughlin, and Kevin Kerns.

United Nations Club: Row 1- Peggy Sias, Courtney Black, Polla Parsons, Beth Mills, Aly Goodwin, and Jack Bailey[redacted] Phillip Adams, John Rummel, B.J Whitman, Belinda Smith, and Tammy Burkholder.

That's the Way

the Ball Bounces

Active clubs made a name for themselves and also grew in size last year. The United Nations Club, sponsered by Peggy Sias, was one of the more active clubs. They participated in many activities with a trip to New York City being a major part of the year. The 13th annual WV High School United Nations New York Tour took place November 24-29, 1986. Forty-six students and adults from WV participated. Representatives from Ripley H.S. were Courtney Black, Jack Bailey, Polla Parsons, Rhonda Yoho and Peggy Sias. Upon their arrival in N.Y., there was an afternoon visit to the United Nations. A tour guide explained the UN's history and organization. Other events on the first day included an afternoon NBC studio tour and a night on broadway. The group's second day in NY was spent mostly as the United Nations. A Libyan diplomat talked with the group while the General Assembly was discussing human rights. The students then went to the U.S. Mission to discuss U.S. foreign policies and the Wall Street and New York Stock Exchange. The NY trip included many cultural and educational activities other than UN. Broadway plays were seen by the group including "A Chorus Line", "Big River", "Arsenic and Old Lace", :I'm Not Rappaport", "42nd Street", "Cats", and "Me and My Girl". A tour of NYC and Manhatten brought sights such as Chinatown, Central Park, the Empire State Building, the World Trade Center, Wall Street, Rockefeller Plaza and Battery Park. Major department stores such as Saks, Gimbels, and Macy's were also visited. On Thanksgiving morning, the students had a firsthand look at the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. Also on that day a noontime visit to St. Patrick's Cathedral or the World Trade Center was taken. Thanksgiving dinner was eaten at Mamma Leone's, one of the many ethnic restaurants in N.Y. The day culminated at the Radio City Music Hall and the Christmas Spectacular. The last day of the tour was spent at the Metropolitan Museum of Art and the Statue of Liberty before heading for home. The NY trip was the major activity fro RHS UN General Assembly meeting on October 24. Students from across the state of WV participated and the top three schools were chosen as best participants. The monthly club meetings were spent preparing for the trip and practicing for debates.

Another active club was the Volleyball Club. This club had the better part of one hundred members from the Junior and Senior Classes. Divided into teams, they then had monthly competitions against each other. Mrs.Seymour and Mr. Mullins were the sponsors of this very "active" club.

The Political Club, sponsored by Dan Barnette had only three members but still remained busy throughout the year. They assumed the roles of voters and discussed issues that faced the world. Through these discussions the members learned about different political ideas.

The clubs that earned names for themselves remained talked about and remembered. Such clubs were the Volleyball club, the UN club, and the Political Club.

Discussing world affairs during a UN club meeting, club sponsor Peggy Sias answers questions concerning current events.

Senior Volleyball members- Front row: Robin Igo, Tonya Stover, Matt Smittle, Pat Ellis, Teresa Shockey, Ruth Comer, Ginger Platter, Lori Judge, Antji Baier. Row 2: John Kuhn, Tom Armstead, Jeff Smith, Kelly Ferfuson, Raigan Smith, Melanie Pfost, Cindy Bonham. Row 3: Scott Rhodes, Andy Moore, Todd Kerns, Alexander Wolf, Bobby Skeen, Brad Woods. Row 4: Brian Wilson, Jason Jones, J.D. Koontz, James McCune, Robbie Taylor, Robbie Parker, Tom Petrush.

Row 1: Mike Hall, Mike Fox, Scott Ramsey, Mike Duke, Chris Stewart, David Ray. Row 2: Denita Angus, Jo Boggess, Polla Parsons, Terry Williams, Missy Robinson, Amy Cain, Beth Boggess. Row 3: Pam Shamblin, Missy Kaiser, Kit Kerns, Brooke Smith, Becca Hunter, Scott Buckner. Row 4: Matt Wells, Richard Myers, Michael Stanley, Rodd Randolph, Scott Randolph, Tommy Randolph.

Common Concerns

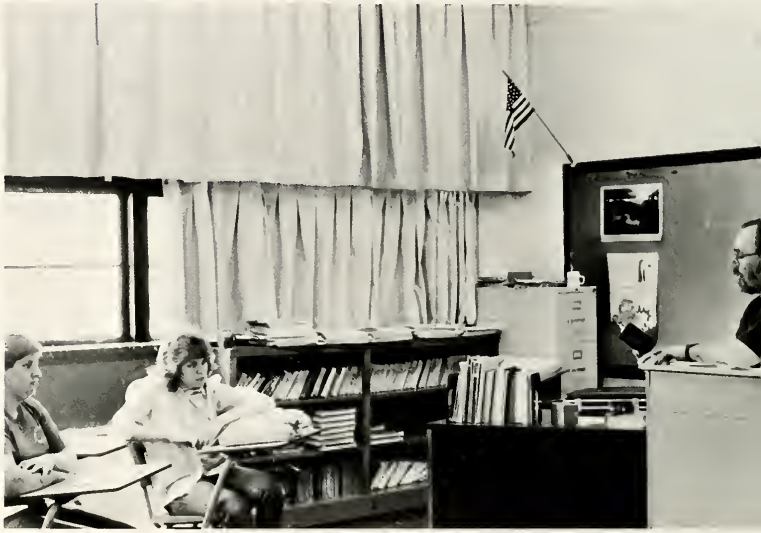
The S.A.E., Young Christians, and S.A.D.D. club participated in many activities to help the community.

The S.A.E. took part in American Education week, Special Olympics, Toys for Tots, Adopt a Family, and American Cancer Society. During American Education week the S.A.E. treated the teachers to a daily treat. While helping with Special Olympics, they were involved with bowling, basketball, and track and field events. They also helped make Easter eggs for American Cancer Society.

The Young Christians club met every morning. They did this so to enhance their knowledge of the studies of the Bible.

The S.A.D.D. club helped with the allnight graduation party. They also had a presentation on drunk driving to help the students think about what could happen to them. This was an important factor of warning before the Prom.

The S.A.D.D. club set in anticipation of a film on drunk driving. These students can not wait to help their fellow students.



Mr. Jordon reads from the Bible to help with the studies of his club members.

SAE Row 1: Gwen Thomas, Donna Parsons, Beth Looney, Renae Salmons, Sheri Donohew, and Becky Guthrie. Row 2: Lori Whitehouse, Kathy White, Julie Koontz, Karen Thomas, Kathy Pursley, and Tiffany Click. Row 3: Eugenia Leiving, Kara Kerns, Bev Rader, Heather Bailey, and Bheri Cristea.

Young Christians Club — Row 1: Rhonda Easter, Valerie Casto, and Regina Cogar. Row 2: Alex Bain, Ginger Kessel, and James Tolley.

S.A.E. members work hard to finish their scrapbook for competition.

Members of S.A.D.D. watch a presentation on how to help drunk drivers.

SADD Row 1: Rocky Hartley, Sandy Combs, Eric Johnson, Kelly Rymer, Lisa West, Tonya Price, and June Lester. Row 2: Jim Price, John Matheny, Casie Kerns, Pat Hudnall, Jimmy Pinkerton, Jamie Tolley, and Vicki Harper. Row 3: Robin Norford, Tybetha Cook, Catherine Seymour, Marlene Sauls, Lisa Hopkins, Angie Varney, Anna Kay, and Jeff Slater. Row 4: Cathy Feshour, Tonja Casto, Deanna Brown, Julie Buffington, Cathy Carter, Rita Flowers, and Brian Sizemore.

SAE Row 1: Teresa Southall, Tonya Stover, Robin Igo, Donnetta Parsons, Stacey Mairs, Tina Southall, Shelly Snyder, and Vicki Fisher. Row 2: Mooa Reed, Patsy Anderson, Donna Hall, Shannon Smith, Michelle Slauter, Rhonda Easter, and Becky Rhodes. Row 3: Holley Myers, Brenda Paugh, Carol Tippens, Teresa Shockey, Ruth Comer, and Penni King.

Members of the Rod and Gun club take time off to pose for a picture.

Mrs. Gunther looks on while Tracey Davis finds something amusing during the meeting.

Members of the Weightlifting club look on as a fellow member attempts to lift the weight.

Row 1: Donna Harrison, Melisa Butcher. Row 2: Allen Parsons, Chris White, and Mrs. Gunther.

Row 1: David Nutter, Todd Jones, Greg Phillips, Rod Lanham, Russel Rhandolph, Mark Chapman, Shane Wolfe, Derek Stewart, and Texal Ramsey. Row 2: Kevin Hall, Micheal Fox, Chaed Smith, Shawn Bush, Greg Barker, Cary Randolph, and Craig Morton. Row 3: Scott George, Ron Bailey, Richie Wallen, Chris Wayne, Scott Sheets, Toby Scholl, Jimmy Bostic, & Brain Blankenship. Row 4: Paul Barnette, Gina Raines, Curtis Rhodes, Danny Rhodes, Annette Lovejoy, Jonny Staats, David Staats, Chad Ratliff, and Mike Welling.

Seeking to Succeed

While looking in on clubs, you could see members of the Wrestling club discussing some past matches, whether they were good or bad it didn't seem to matter. The club also talked about upcoming matches as some people betted on who would win.

The Weightlifting club could be seen in the weight room working to see who could weightlift the most. Both boys and girls are in the club so it was hard to tell who would be victorious in each division.

The Rod & Gun club could be seen in the football lockerroom discussing safety, and the members told stories about something that happened while they were hunting. They also discussed the proper procedures for cleaning a gun.

The Publishers club published a collection of student works entitled "Reflections".

The Wrestling club battles to win during the homecoming parade.

The Wrestling club enjoys discussing past experiences and the upcoming matches.

Row 1: Matt Smittle, Todd Jones, David Nutter, Greg Harrison, Mark Chapman, Greg Phillips, Johnny Manns, Daniel Fox, David Mullins, and Jamie Bstic. Row 2: Kenneth Withrow, Doug Gay, Kathy Pursley, Michelle Robinson, Patty Propts, Ronnie Anderson, J.R. Stover, Richie Casto, and Gary McCue. Row 3: Rick Riddle, Daniel Parsons, Mark Johnson, Scott Sheets, Moodo Tribett, Jeff Parsons, Joe Legg, Chad King, and Jackie Jarret. Row 4: Samantha Pfost, Jason Miller, Stephen Hartley, David Tolley, Ronnie Wolfe, Larry Kessel, James Parsons, Lewis Jones and Rod Lanham. Row 5: Valerie White, Kim Hall, Wendy Frederick, Christy Cecil, Lori Tolley, Beth White, Shannon Stolper, Alice Mathews, and J.B. Bush.

Row 1: Carrie Clendenen, Staci Crawford, Tabby Hill, Alisha Wade, Mika Keller, Shaonon Hersman, Teresa Wayne, and Patti Booher. Row 2: David Williams, Donnie Kerns, David Anderson, David Cavaliere, Peter Daniel, & Paul Lucas. Row 3: Dickie Shouldis, Ronnie Ratliff, Scott Richardson, Paul Blankenship, Mark Cavaliere, & EricHersman. Row 4: Jeff Ray, Kevin Booher, Clayton Kerns, Tom Bryant, Mark Kiser, and Dwayne Hicks. Row 5: Jim Paxton, & Dale Ingrim.

Crop Producers of Tomorrow

The Ripley Chapter of the Future Farmer of America competed in several events.

The FFA competed at the State Convention. The teams that competed were the Parlimentary Procedure team which won the State and went on to the National contest, where they received a bronze award. The chapter had five State Farmers. They were: Ken Barnette, Paul Francis, Alan Harris, Troy Welling, and Glenna West. The State Record Book winners were Glenna West, who placed first for the third year members; Jim Sayre, who placed first for the second year members, and Saundra Harris, who placed second for the first year members. The Chapter's book placed third in the State Scrapbook contest. Paul Francis received second place in the State Diversified Crop Proficiency. Glenna West received second for the State Vegetable Production.

The Ripley chapter also took part in the State Vo-ag Judging Contest. The teams attending were the Agronomy team, which placed third, the Agricultural Mechanics team which placed seventh, the Dairy team which placed eighth, the Etomology team which placed fourth, the Milk Evaluation team which placed third, the Horticulture team which placed third, the Meat Identification team which placed fourth, the Plant Pathology team which placed first, and the Animal Husbandry team which placed seventh. These teams competed on the State level.

At the State Convention, Tammy Sayre received the American Farmer and Star Farmer of WV awards. She is the first girl in the history of the FFA to receive these awards. Brent Sayre and Kim Pringle also received American Farmer Degrees.

Mr. West seems to be Joe Cool on his way home from Kansas City.

Mrs. Dewhurst brings home the bull from the National Convention in Kansas City.

Front row: David Myers, Alan Harris, George Ford, Glenna West, Missy Fisher, John Paul Patterson, and Mike Kubina. Second row: Robin Barnette, Barbara Perrine, Saundra Harris, Jerry Counts, Jody Shamblin, Tonia Wolfe, Terri Fox, Sherri Rigney. Third row: David Abbott, Cindy Quillen, Sherry Edwards, Andrea Kay, Betsy Sayre, Eric Stanley, Brad Ray. Fourth row: John Hart, Richard Casto, Terri Parsons, Troy Welling, Jeff Hamon, Jason Parsons, and Paul Francis. Back row: Jim Sayre, Tommy Waybright, Jamie Ledbetter, James Engle, Jesse Hunt, Mayford Siders, and Mike Utt.

Front row: Tina Ingram, Violet Smith, Missy Fisher, and Teresa Kelly. Back row: George Ford, Alan Harris, and David Myers.

Mayford Siders relaxes after a hard days work of farming. He kicks up his feet on the Future Farmers float in the Homecoming Parade.

Front row: Tressa Anderson, Cindy Dragoo, Dawn Counts, Elizabeth Patterson, Vonda Smith, Brenda Carney, Tonia Jackson, Darlene Thompson, Sandra Bess, Trish Thomas, and Lawana Parsons. Second row: Billy Jo Harmon, Sandy Wheeler, Cathryn Knopp, Lee Price, Lisa Boggess, Stephanie Smith, Mandy Fisher, Mark Hinzman, and Mrs. Connie Dewhurst. Third row: Angie Shively, Tabby Ball, De De Anthony, Kerri Legg, Terri Pringle, Jim McKemy, David Gandee, George Payne, and Mr. William West. Fourth row: Tammy Hanshaw, Diane Myers, Vicki Burgess, Trisa Harper, Kellie Faber, Emily Nutter, Mark Stover, Brian Burdette, and Danny Harris. Fifth row: Randy Southall, Russell Phillips, Tony Shamblin, Shawn Casto, Derek Ford, Paul Longfellow, Kevin Eagle, and Kenny Nutter. Back row: Jason Brown, James Parsons, Joe Hudson, Shawn Stone, Aaron Stephens, Donald Keefer, Todd Fisher, Brad Ramsey, and J.R. Harrison.

YES club members help students make Jack-o-lanterns for Halloween. Dawn Reece helps Benjie Boggess carve his pumpkin.

Jason Jones played Santa Claus at the Annual Easter Seals Christmas Party held at Ripley Elementary School.

National Junior Humane Society- Row 1: Melissa Ramsey, Nancy Beaudin, Debbie Dietrich, Kelly Casto, Andy Crowder. Row 2: Kim Baldwin, Alice Lynch, Amy Bragg, Randy Southall.

Safety Club- Christy Webb, Hazel Kerns.

Lending

Helping Hand

Three clubs that were a huge help to R.H.S. included Youth for Easter Seals, Hi-Y, and Safety Club. Youth for Easter Seals did many interesting things for the Special service classes. They made Jack-o-lanterns at the Halloween Party that they prepared especially for these classes. They also threw a Christmas party for the Special service classes and many teachers joined the party and sung Christmas carols to the students. Youth for Easter Seals made Easter eggs for the Cancer Society and helped with Special Olympics. A study was done by the club members to find physical barriers in the school building. They found places where wheelchairs could not go and some water fountains were too low. Hi-Y helped R.H.S. by helping with Toys-for-Tots. They also had many bake sales and car washes to make money for their club. Safety club did many activities to insure the safety of the community. They inspectaed cars for expired licenses and they also inspected the stickers on the cars. All three of these clubs helped to improve the school and community and help keep everyone happy.

Teresa Southall attempts to break a Pinata as Mrs. Lattea tries to guide her in the right direction.

Kim Baldwin, and other members of the Junior Humane Society, show off animals on their Homecoming Float.

Youth for Easter Seals- Row 1: Greta Skeen, Lisa Snyder, Ashli White, Patricia Wheatcraft. Row 2: Christina Monday, Dawn Reece, Betty Baker, Jean Estep.

Hi-Y- Row 1: Sheila Rhodes, Lori Fulk, Lisa King, Chiffawn Walker, Missy Snyder. Row 2: Teresa Runion, Donna Straight, Kim Randolf. Lisa Thompson.

Honor Students

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There were several organizations for Honor Students at RHS. Mu Alpha Theta math honorary club, was an organization for those students who had completed Geometry and had a B or better average in all their math classes. In the spring the club had a banquet at which time they inducted new members. Their big event each year was at Christmas time when they adopted families. Items for the families were collected and members had a party to wrap the items. Mu Alpha Theta took pride in spreading happiness at this time of year.

National Honor Society was for students with a 3.2 grade point average who met the qualification of service, leadership, and character. Inductions of new members were held in the fall for seniors and the spring for juniors.

Honor Bowl and Hi Q team members tried out and were selected on the basis of the tryouts. The Hi Q team won 2 out of 3 matches but the Honor Bowl team was eliminated from competition in their first match.

The Christmas Mu Alpha Theta party brought more than old-fashioned fun for Seniors Katy Coomes and Trudi Wright — it brought food!

Before the fall induction of Seniors, Jon Fowler, Mike Duke, Jason Jones, Donnetta Parsons, Beth Winter, Katy Coomes and Trudi Wright stand tall behind the NHS banner and candles.

Honor Bowl: Row 1 — George Ford, Joe Milhoan, Tom Petrush, and Lisa Phillips. Row 2 — Cindy Bohman, Jason Jones.

Mu Alpha Theta: Row 1 — Beth Winter, Laura Brewer, Katy Coomes, Trudi Wright, Cindy Cushman, Cindy Bonham, Deidra Casto, Buffy Morrison, and Mrs. Adkins. Row 2 — Jon Fowler, Beth Mills, Becca Hunter, Alisha Wade, Todd Jones, Jason Miller, Leslie Miller, Anders Bush. Row 3 — Sherri Rigney, Denita Angus, Jason Jones, Michelle Backus, Lisa Snyder, Cathy Welling, Beth Boggess, Derek Stewart, Renee Casto. Row 4 — Regenia Cogar, Donna Harrison, Melissa Butcher, Amy Parrish, Carrie Goodwin, Becca Brewer, Kyle Starcher, Rodd Randolph. Row 5 — Meegan Casto, Lori Goodson, Jo Boggess, Stacey McDaniel, Debbie Lin, Donnie Kerns.

Carrying the loads of toys for the Adopt A Family Christmas program, Mu Alpha Theta Advisor Jana Adkins expresses a determined look.

After the fall NHS induction, the new and old members socialize at the reception in the library.

Hi-Q: Row 1 — Beth Mills, Adam Holley, Lisa Phillips.
Row 2 — Chris Wayne, Anders Bush, B.J. Whitman.
Row 3 — Tom Petrush.

NHS: Row 1 — Trudi Wright, Beth Winter, Donnetta Parsons, Katy Coomes, Rhonda Randolph, Laura Brewer, Cindy Cushman.
Row 2 — Brian Iezzi, Tom Armstead, Tom Petrush, Jon Fowler, Deidra Casto, Cathy Welling, George Ford, Jason Jones, Mike Duke, Michelle Backus, Lisa Snyder.
Row 3 — Todd Jones, Cindy Bonham, Raigan Smith, Chris Hull, Alan Harris

A sight often seen by Ripley citizens, the Court House is one of the most beautiful in the state. Being in the center court of Ripley, not many leave the city without seeing it.

A very prosperous franchise in our town is the McDonalds restaurant, located by the much traveled I-77. Between the travelers and the teenagers, this eating place is always full.

Community

Ripley is not comparable with New York, but for its size of approximately 6000 residents, Ripley has quite a lot to offer.

There are not only many places and varieties to eat, but places to go and relax, dance, or just get away from it all. To "be in town" always meant having at least a little bit of fun or action. Or if town was not the place to be the library was. A lot of students spent time either during the week, or on Saturdays catching up on homework or revising that research paper.

Even though many students when they graduate leave Ripley, they all agree that Ripley is a great place to grow up in. The nice people, the things to do, everybody and everything in and around Ripley got its fascination

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A typical view of the west end of town, this is the view travelers see when they pass through Ripley. This intersection is also the main road traveled by students on Friday and Saturday nights.

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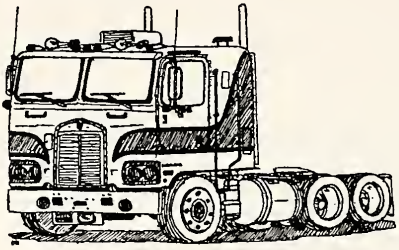

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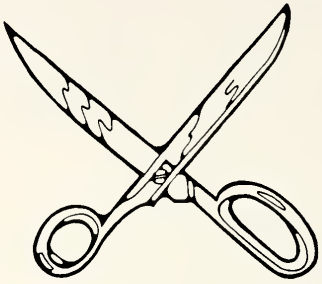

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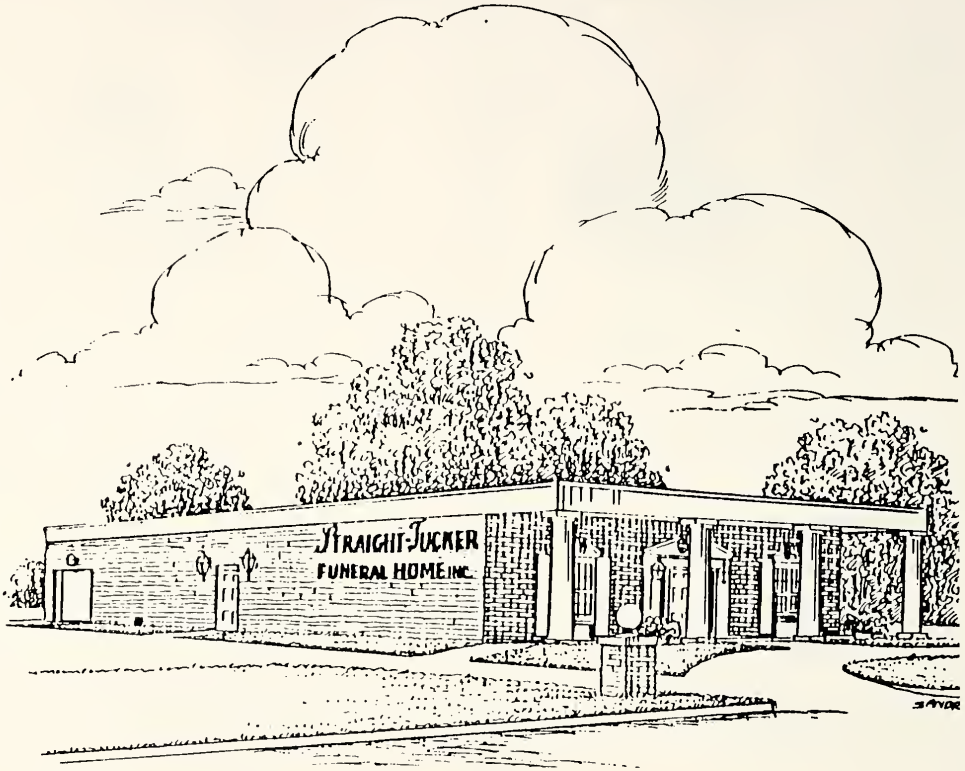

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COLOPHON

A colophon is a place to list all the specifics of the yearbook. However it is also a place to say good-bye to the 14 staff members and our adviser, Mrs. Sheila Byers. With the help of others, the Viking has made it again.

Volume 65 of the Viking was produced by the yearbook class of Ripley High School, Ripley, West Virginia, under the direction of Adviser, Sheila Byers and Editor, Lisa Snyder. It was printed by Herff Jones Yearbooks, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, under the supervision of Sales Representative Ron Boram of Fairmont and Customer Service Representative Jan Schroyer.

A press run of 600 copies, 200 pages each had a total cost of $12,955. The book sold for $15 with name stamps for seniors at no cost during the sales campaign and $18 after that period. Money was raised through subscriptions, sale of class pictures and advertising, and fund raisers such as Kadet stationery and Argus poster sales.

The 8 1/2 x 11 book contains 16 pages of full-color and is printed on 80 pound Bordeaux paper. Smyth sewn, rounded and backed, it uses a lithographed cover of Cerulean blue and white. The Viking ship cover design was drawn by Danny Byers and the airbrush painting was completed by Herff-Jones artists. Endsheets were designed by Lisa Snyder using geometric shapes in varying shades of black ink.

Korinna was the standard type throughout the book with captions Korinna Extra Bold. The sections used different type styles for special effects: Academics-Spring and Univers Medium, Sports-Maximus, News-Gothic Bold, Student Life-Duranti, and the Ads had a variety from the HJ type program.

Four students attended the HJ Workshop at Gettysburg, while the majority attended a mini workshop at Parkersburg High School.

Our thanks also go to David Rader for his expert photographs, to Tereasa Staats for her artistic talent in the Mini Magazine, again to Danny Byers for a job well done, and finally to Ron Boram who always seemed to know how to "fix" our many mistakes and keep us sane. However, the biggest thanks of all goes to Mrs. Byers for her great "surprise" parties, computer skills, and the late nights she checked pages for the following day deadlines.

It has been worthwhile, we think, to put the many hours into a book only 200 pages long, but which will be looked at by thousands of eyes. It has been worth it all!

OUT of the BLUE

...And Now we're Through

Now that the year has passed, and with a look back, we can see all that 1987 has accomplished. Trips to state playoffs in both football and girls softball; a grand champion band; a Westpoint cadet; a choral group great enough to produce an award winning OKLAHOMA! and a senior leadership passed to the distinctive underclassmen of RHS.

New teachers were accepted and "taught" by students about "how it was done" while other senior staff resigned to the sad faces of dedicated students. The birth of the student activated Class Competition was completing its first and very succesful year. Yes, RHS had its ups and downs but the individuals, the sports, the academics and the atmosphere contained a touch of class which came...

OUT OF THE BLUE

Compliments of
Daves Auto Parts

Junior Dickie Shouldis shows his masculine "charm" while modeling the lastest mod fashion of the Male Teen—Cross Your Heart Bra.

Adult Roles teacher Mrs. Hamilton is given a wet surprise when she is thrown into the pool on "Senior Day" at Cedar Lakes. This day was set a side for the winners of the Class Competition—the seniors.

Jackson County Board Office secretaries and staff give their cheering support to the Final Four football players as they head for the state game in Morgantown.

Compliments of
Boyles & Hildreth Engineers

...And Now We're Through

The final days of school for Seniors is spent with days upon days of practice for graduation.

Mrs. Whitman is seen by most everyone everyday of the year. It is appropriate that she says the final good-bye.

Compliments of
Powers Greenhouse & Garden Center

Jason,

I've known you a while (well a long time). If you ever get into any trouble (which you do alot) you know you can count on me to Bail you out. No not really you never get in trouble Ha!

My tage! Love ya,

Tommy

"Yates 91"

see ya next year hopefully

Hup!

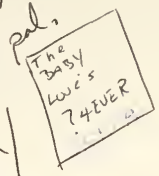
PAUL2,

you're a hell of a guy, thanks for being there for me, we've had some wild times and we've fought like hell but what a buzzy just remember you can count on me so take it easy. you're a real pal.

The BABY

JB Hamilton

The BABY LOVE'S 7 4EVER



P.S. Stay cool and Buzzed!

Jason,

I hope you enjoy accounting. Don't raise more hell than she can handle though

Greg Rowe '89

Jason,
Ever since Ive met you, you always seem to make me laugh. You always seem to make life fun even when everyone else is down. Hope you get everything out of life you want, Just don't kill anyone getting it.
Love, Bee

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